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UPRISING IN MANILA

EIGHT FILIPINOS ARRESTED ON CHARGES OF SEDITION IN ISLANDS

ATTEMPT WAS FAILURE

Uprising Only Partly Organized and Officials Warned in Time Suppress It

By Associated Press.

Manila, Dec. 26.—Eight Filipinos have been arrested on the charge of sedition as a result of an abortive uprising Thursday night in Manila and its environs. Further arrests are probable.

From army sources it is learned that a general warning was sent to all officers Thursday afternoon stating that fully 10,000 Filipinos in Manila alone were ready for a concerted attack on Fort Santiago, Cuartel Espana Cuartle Insanteria and the medical depot. The military units were prepared immediately and a street patrol was started at dusk. Constabulary agents who are members of the secret societies disclosed the plans for an uprising, thus enabling a force of constabulary and police to disperse gathering at Bogumbayan, Pace and Navotas, near Malabon. At Caloocan a squad of American sailors seized chairs when a force of Filipinos approached a dance hall in which they were gathered and using the chairs as weapons routed the Filipinos of whom quite a number were injured.

The uprising evidently was only partly organized and lacked leadership. It was composed for the most part of persons implicity trusting the word of Artemio Ricarte, who conducts a continual revolutionary propaganda from Hong Kong to which place he was banished by the American authorities some time ago. Ricarte, it is stated, advised that the anti-American attempt be made on Christmas eve when the American officers would be expected to celebrate the holiday.

Reports from the provinces tell of minor uprisings and occasional violence but details from these sections are lacking. The situation today, from all appearance and according to official statements is well under control of the military authorities. Governor-General Francis Burton Harrison happens to be away on an official visit and Winfred T. Denison, secretary of the interior, is in charge of affairs.

The foreign chamber of commerce supported by the Filipino body has issued a public protest against the legislature's adoption of amendments to the internal revenue law imposing additional taxes. The measure war introduced on the eve of the Christmas recess and was passed without discussion and also, it is stated, without giving the merchants opportunity to express their opinion regarding it. Representatives from the Chamber of Commerce regarding the new law are to go today to Secretary of War Garrison, asking him to secure President Wilson's intervention in the matter

UPRISING NOT BELIEVED SERIOUS AT WASHINGTON

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec 26.—Officials in insular bureau of the war bureau in the absence of official advices from Manila, inclined to the view that the reported uprising there was not serious. Earlier in the week Governor-General Harrison reported he could find no basis in Manila for accounts of a threatened revolt. Brigadier Generpl Frank McKentrie, chief of the bureau of insular affairs, however, in view of renewed reports of trouble in the Phillipine capital, called for a full report of the circumstances of the Christmas eve disturbance. Officials said today there was at all times more or less dissatisfaction among the restless elements in the Phillippines and that shrewd native leaders did what they could to capitalize such discontent; they profess not to believe anything like a serious uprising in Manila or elsewhere throughout the islands.

OFFICIAL CONFIRMATION LACKING AT WASHINGTON

Washington, Dec. 26.—Official confirmation of a native uprising in Manila reported in press dispatches was still lacking at the war department forty-eight hours after a message of inquiry had been sent. The report indicated that the uprising had been promptly suppressed and was of such a minor character that officials of the insular bureau did not view the matter as justifying another message asking particulars. Manuel Cuezon, resident commissioner in Congress from the Philippines, declared today he could not credit reports of any serious disturbances in the islands. During the day he conferred with officials of the insular bureau and also cabled to the speaker of the Philippine assembly that reports of uprising in Manila were being published in the United States. He had received no reply tonight.

CHRISTMAS MAIL RUSH SLACKENS UP SATURDAY

Christmas mail continued heavy Thursday and Friday showing a dropping og Saturday. On Thursday 179 sacks of mail were received and 182 sent out. On Friday 115 sacks were received and 75 sent out.

BRIBERY IS CHARGED AGAINST AMERICANS

MEMBER OF MEXICAN CABINET SAYS SILLIMAN ACCEPTED MONEY FOR INFLUENCE

FOR RELEASE OF ITURBIDE

Accused Americans Declare Charge Absurd—Mexicans Wants to Arrest Iturbide

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 26.—American Consul Silliman at Mexico City reported today that General Palafox minister of agriculture in the cabinet of Provisional President Gutierriez had issued a statement charging that he (Silliman), Special Agent Conover and others had accepted a bribe of 500,000 pesos to effect the release of former Governor Iturbide. He declares the report absurd.

Palafox, an adherent of Zapata, is said to have been eager to see Iturbide held The latter was commander of the federal district during the administration of Carbajal but remained after his colleagues had fled and took an active part in keeping order after the Carranza forces withdrew and the Zapata forces entered. Secretary Bryan, admiring Iturbide's personal courage in preferring to maintain order in the city rather than make his own escape, took a personal interest in the case and identical representations were made to both Gutierrez and Villa to obtain his release.

Iturbide now is on his way to the United States but reports from Mexico City say Palafox announced his intention of arresting him if he were caught en route to El Paso. The provisional government in Mexico City has issued a decree extending to March 31 the time for revalidating mining titles, according to a Mexico City dispatch to the state department.

A mail report from the American vice consul at Ensenada, lower California, states that "while there has been political disturbance of late conditions in general are improving and the district is quiet" He adds that the bitter feeling against Americans noticeable last spring, apparently has disappeared and that 175 or 200 Americans now are in the district. In that connection, however, the state department announced that "it does not advise Americans to return to Mexico and those who do so go there on their own responsibility." The Carranza agency here announced receipt of the following message from Gen. Carranza's secretary at Vera Cruz.

"General Villareal at Monterey informs us that he recently had a conference at Saltillo with Gen. Alvarez, the Gutierrez governor of the state of San Luis Potosi, who informed him that Eulalio Gutierrez had sent him to inform Villareal that he had demanded from Villa that he eliminate himself from political activity but that Villa had not complied and that Gutierrez was disposed to enroll himself and his troops once again under the banner of the first chief and the plan of Guadalupe."

NO SEAFIGHT OFF COAST OF CHILI IS REPORTED

New Believed Firing Heard Was Salutes From British Cruiser to Admiral

By Associated Press.

Valparaiso, Chile, Dec 26.—The Australian battle cruiser Australia came into this port today. She had been on the Pacific coast of South America for several weeks. A week ago she put into Callao, Chile.

No seafight has occurred off the Chilean coast so far as can be ascertained today at Valparaiso. The cannonading reported last night fifteen miles off this port by the Chilean torpedo boat Tome and which was supposed to be an engagement between the British cruiser Newcastle and the German cruiser Dresden and converted cruiser Prinz Eithel Friedrich, is now believed to have been the Newcastle saluting the flag of Vice Admiral Sir Frederich Sturdee, commander of the British squadron which sank the German squadron off the Falkland Islands. The Australian battle cruiser, Australia, today anchored in the bay. Vice Admiral Sir George Patey, commander of the Australia, came ashore and paid his respects to the Chilean authorities. He said he had not met the cruiser Newcastle while on his way to Valparaiso and declared he was unable to explain the origin of the firing reported off the coast.

FIRST APPLICATION FOR LOAN FROM COTTON FUND

Bankers Committee Will Act On Application From Alabama This Week

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 26.—The first loan application to the $135,000,000 cotton loan fund was received today by the local committee of bankers in charge of the fund, from Alabama. Because not all of the $100,000,000 of Class A. subscriptions have been received the committee will not act on the application until next week.

GERMANS ARE CHECKED

RUSSIAN BEHIND BZURA RIVER STOP ADVANCE ON WARSAW

DEADLOCK ON WEST

Allies Find German Lines Almost Impregnable and Progress Is Slow

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 26.—Neither the Austro-German offensive operations against the Russians nor the allies' attack upon the German lines in the west have made any appreciable progress although the fighting continues along the greater part of the two fronts with unabated intensity. In both cases the attacking army appeared to have run full tilt against what seemed to be almost impenetrable lines. The Germans, in their official report, announce that they have ceased their attacks on the Bzura River which with the Russian masses behind it, stands across their direct path to Warsaw. They are now trying to find a way to the Polish capital along the courses of the Polica river which is a considerable distance south of Warsaw.

Fog has interfered with the battle in Flanders but along the French front the Germans have been delivering fierce counter attacks in an effort to throw off the pressure which the allies are exerting. In these as in the attacks of the allies which preceded them the losses on both sides have been considerable especially on the attacking side. The slowness of the allies' progress is explained in London as being due to the refusal of the general staff to sacrifice a great number of soldiers. They are satisfied with gaining a series of small successes by means of artillery which in time, it is pointed out, should prepare the way for a general forward movement.

According to information from Constantinople the Turks under advice of the Germans are fortifying the shores of their territory on the Gulf of Sharos and on the sea of Marmora indicating that they are expecting visits from the allied fleets.

POLICE BATTLES WITH TWO BANDITS

ONE OF BANDITS KILLED, AND CLEVELAND, OKLA., POLICE CHIEF SHOT

TWO OTHERS WERE INJURED

Chief Discovers Bandits Holding up 20 Men in Pool Hall and Opens Fire

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Okla., Dec 26.—An unknown bandit was killed, Chief of Police S. W. Fenton was shot through the leg and two other citizens were wounded in a sensational battle here tonight following an attempt to hold up twenty men in a pool hall. Fenton was passing the place and happened to see the men inside with their hands up. He stood in the front door and emptied his revolver at the burglars who returned the fire. The dead man was about 26 years old. He wore a coat bearing a Cushing, Oka., trade mark.

AGUA PRIETA PREPARES FOR MAYTORENA ATTACK

Carranza Garrison Busy at Border Town Preparing For Defense

By Associated Press

Douglas, Ariz, Dec 26.—The Carranza garrison of Agua Prieta, the Mexican town across the border, was busy today digging new entrenchments, stringing more barbed wire entanglements and planting electrically controlled mines in expectation of an attack by Maytorna, some of whose troops retired before Naco, Sonorr today. It is said the Maytorena advance guard was only six miles away With reinforcements expected immediately the Carranza garrison will have 800 men sufficient, it is declared to stand off an attacking force of 2000.

PROTEST AGAINST MAKING TURPENTINE CONTRABAND

By Associated Press.

Baton Rouge, La., Dec 26.—Governor Luther E. Hall today telegraphed to Secretary Bryan protesting against the intention of Great Britain to place turpentine and rosin on the absolute contraband list. The governor also telegraphed Senatorr Thornton and Ransdell and Senator-elect Broussard suggesting that the Louisiana congressional delegates join the delegations of other States in the yellow pine belt in a general protest.

WAR BULLETINS

RUSSIAN

By Associated Press

Petrograd, Dec. 26.—The following official communication was issued from general headquarters tonight:

"On the left bank of the Vistula the general position is without essential change. Between the lower course of the Vistula and the Pilicia the fighting on December 25 was of less desperate character, with the exception of that region bordering on the Pilicia, where, throughout the night and day, violent combat continued. Likewise fighting of a desperate nature with the Austrians has been general along the lower courses of the Nida river. On December 24 in that region we took prisoners, 68 officers and about 4000 soldiers. In Galicia the fighting along the whole front is favorable to the Russian army."

AUSTRIAN

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Dec. 26.—The Austrian official communication issued at Vienna today says:

"The Austrian troops after a victorious advance (in Servia) were forced by bad weather to retire but they have not been beaten and their courage has not been broken. Our losses have been enormously exaggerated. In the Carpathians our attacks are slowly gaining ground. It is possible that the Russians may have successes here and there for they do not hesitate to sacrifice great numbers of men."

FRENCH

By Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The following official communication was issued tonight by the war office:

"Nothing of note has yet been reported this evening at any part of the front."

VIENNA

Vienna, via London, Dec. 26, 11:55 p. m. The war department issued the following communication this afternoon:

"After four days of heroic fighting, our troops on December 25 took Usjok Pass. In Galicia the Russians continued the offensive which began some days ago and recaptured with superior forces and Krosno and Jasio. The situation remains unchanged in the lower course of the Donajec river and along the Nida. We are aking progress south of Tomaszow. In the Balkans quiet has prevailed for the last ten days, there having been only minor encounters on the Save and Drina rivers. Weak attacks were mdae December 24 by the Montenegrins on the fortress of Billek."

$75,000 FIRE LOSS AT AUSTIN LAST NIGHT

Furniture and Carpet Warehouse There Burned Together With Contents

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—Practically beyond control before the alarm was sent in, fire caused almost a total loss of the Furniture and Carpet Company warehouse together with its contents tonight. It was estimated that the warehouse contained between $75,000 and $100,000 worth of furniture and other stored property.

21 BATTLESHIPS WILL STEAM THROUGH CANAL

The Oregon Old Bull Dog of the Navy Will Lead Squadron To Frisco

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec 26.—Twenty-one modern battleships flying the stars and stripes will follow the Oregon the old bull dog of the navy through the Panama Canal when the Atlantic fleet goes to participate in the opening ceremonies of the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The Atlantic fleet will leave New York about January 15 for winter maneuvres at Guatanamo, Cuba. Ships in southern waters will join the fleet here. The vessels which will go to the Pacific will return to Hampton Roads about the last of February.

ORDER TO STOP EXECUTIONS.

Mexico City, Dec. 26.—Provisional President Gutierrez tonight issued a circular to all generals of the armies of the convention ordering them in most explicit terms to cease all summary executions for whatsoever offense. A copy of the circular was sent to Generals Villa and Zapata.

GERMANY MAY ASK NEW CREDENTIALS

DELICATE QUESTIONS MAY ARISE FROM GERMAN OCCUPATION OF BELGIUM

NO NOTICE FROM GERMANY

Reported that Germany Will Ask New Exequaturs From American Consuls

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 26.—The United States government late tonight had received no notification from Germany that American consuls originally accredited to Belgium would be required to obtain new exequaturs, or certificates of authority Until such a notice is communicated and its form is examined, high officials said the American government would be unable to determine a course of action Officials here regarded the poinst involved as of a delicate character and would say only that they would study various precedents before reaching a decision

In reply to a question recently as to the status of Brand Whitlock, American ambassador to Belgium, President Wilson replied that the latter would of course remain American minister to Belgium even though he left the country indefinitely. Mr. Whitlock is now in Brussels dealing unofficially with the Belgian military authorities whose seat is at Havre France. The status of consular officers who are given specific districts in which to exercise their authority may prevent a more complex problem. Should Germany formally annex Belgium and establish a civil authority everywhere therein the situation would be further complicated as annexations during time of war have not been generally recognized

The disposition of officials here is governed by a desire to take no steps that would offend the Belgian people If the German military officers require, however, that additional exequaturs be obtained for American consuls the Washington government, it was suggested, probably would not interpose objections.

TERRE HAUTE, IND. OFFICERS IN JAIL

PRACTICALLY EVERY MEMBER OF CITY ADMINISTRATION ARRESTED

ELECTION FRAUDS CHARGED

Wholesale Arrests There on Federal Indictments—Mayor Is Also Included

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, Dec 26.—Practically every member of the city administration of Terre Haute is in the hands of United States authorities tonight as a result of the wholesale arrests made there last night and today on indictments charging conspiracy to corrupt the election of November 3, 1912 Unable to furnish bond of $10,000 Mayor Roberts tonight was included in a party of 21 of the prisoners who had failed to provide bond and was being brought to this city to be placed in jail.

Almost the only important officer of Terre Haute who has not been arrested by federal authorities was Edward Holler, chief of police. Chief Holler is now serving a sentence in the Vigo county jail for contempt of court. Steps taken by United States Marshal Storen in Terre Haute tonight indicates that other arrests are to be made It is said more than 125 persons were named in the indictment. Marshal Storen decided to return with his entire force to this city tonight and probably no more arrests will be made until Monday.

Police in Autos With Shotguns to Chase Bandits

By Associated Press.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 26.—In an effort to stop activities of highwaymen and safe blowers Chief of Police Lang ordered tonight six automobiles equipped with shotguns for use in chasing fleeing criminals.

PASSENGER MIRACULOUSLY ESCAPED FATAL INJURY

By Associated Press.

Hartford, Mich., Dec 26.—Although the rear coach carrying more than 20 persons on a westbound Kalamazoo Lake Shore and Chicago passenger train was hurled from the track here tonight and turned over twice in its descent down a steep embankment only six of the passengers were injured and none fatally hurt. A Pere Marquette freight train crashed into the coach at the local junction. The other coaches remained on the track. Failure of the air brakes to respond on the Pere Marquette train is said to have caused the accident.

ENGLISH WARSHIPS MAKE RAID UPON GERMAN COAST BERLIN REPORT SAYS

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Dec. 26.—(By wireless to Sayville) The German admiralty made the following announcement today:

"On December 25 eight British ships made a dash into a German bay. Hydroplanes convoyed by them made an advance against the mouth of German rivers and dropped bombs on ships lying at anchor and a gas tank near Cuxhaven without hitting them or doing damage. The hydroplanes were fired at and withdrew in a westerly direction. German airships and aeroplanes reconnoitered against the British forces and succeeded in hitting with bombs two British destroyers and one other vessel of the convoy; on the latter fire broke out. Fog prevented a continuation of the fighting."

The communication by the admiralty of an attempt by British warships against the German coast is the first intimation of what appears to be a reply to the recent attack by German cruisers against the English seaports of Scarborough, Whiby and Hartlepool. The British authorities as yet have made no mention of the movement.

Fram the reference to Cuxhaven in the German rivers indicated, but not named, were the Elbe and the Weser. Cuxhaven is a fortified seaport of Germany, 58 miles notheast of Hamburg. It is at the mouth of the estuary of the Elbe. The approximate distance across the North Sea from the English coast to Cuxhaven is 360 miles.

TURKS CLAIM IMPORTANT SUCCESSES OVER RUSSIANS

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Dec. 26—(By wireless to London) Reports received in Berlin from Constantinople say the Turks have won a decisive victory over the Russians in the Caucasus between the towns of Olti and Id. Olti is in the Russian territory of Kars while Id is twenty miles further south in the Turkish province of Erzerun."

AMERICAN SHIPS THREATENED TO FIRE

ATHENS DISPATCH TELLS OF ACTION NORTH CAROLINA AT SYRIAN PORT

DISPERSED TURKISH MOB

Captain and First Officer Injured in Attempt To Rescue Foreign Refugees

By Associated Press

London, Dec. 26.—A Reuter dispatch from Athens says it was the United States cruiser North Carolina which threatened to use its guns at Tripoli, Syria. The North Carolina, convoying the American steamer, Virginia, had proceeded to Tripoli and the commander requested the Turkish authorities to permit the British and French consuls to depart with their nationals resident in Tripoli. This request was refused Several of the French residents boarded the Virginia but were attacked by a mob who wounded the captain and first officer. The North Carolina then threatened to fire whereupon the mob fled The Virginia, escorted by the North Carolina, then left Dedeagatch and the North Carolina later proceeded to Smyrna. Many French refugees, the dispatch adds, have already arrived at Plaueragus.

United States cruiser North Carolina according to a Washington dispatch of Dec. 16, proceeded to the island of Scios on the coast of Asia Minor for Alexandria to take coal to Jaffe for the relief of Jews at Jerusalem. Jaffa is about 180 miles south of Tripoli.

Miss Margaret McMahon who has been visiting her father, J. L. McMahon of the Producers Company leaves today to visit Houston relatives before returning to San Antonio, where she is in school.

400 KILLED WHEN TRAINS COLLIDE

TROOP TRAIN AND TRAIN LOAD OF WOUNDED CRASH IN POLAND

SWITCH HAD BEEN CHANGED

Many of Those Killed Were German Wounded Officers Being Taken Back to Germany

By Associated Press.

London, Dec. 26.—A Reuter dispatch from Warsaw says that 400 men were killed and 500 wounded in a collision between troop and hospital trains at Kaliaz, Poland The troop train was coming from Prussia and the hospital train was proceeding to Germany with wounded officers The trains were running at full speed when they collided More than twenty cars were wrecked An investigation disclosed that the railway switch had been changed at the last moment.

GRANDSON OF MARSHALL FIELDS IS TO WED

By Associated Press

New York, Dec 26.—Marshall Field, grandson of the late Chicago millionaire, today obtained a license to wed Miss Evelyn Marshall of this city Fields' address was given as Cadland, Southampton, England; his age as 21 and that of his bride-to-be as 25.

RUSSIANS TRADE ISLANDS TO JAPANESES FOR GUNS

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec 26.—The Japanese embassy today received official advices from Tokio that Russia had ceded to Japan its half of the Island of Sakhalin for some heavy guns. The island was officially Russian until September, 1905. The southern half was ceded to Japan by the terms of the treaty of Portsmouth.

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GREAT WHITE WAY OF PARIS NOW DARK

MONTMARTRE IS BUT A GHOSTLY SHADOW OF ITS FORMER GLORY

AMUSEMENT RESORTS CLOSED

Even Bars Are More or Less Desert ed Since Sale of Absinthe Is Barred

By Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. —Montmartre has been put to sleep by martial law The "Butte" from Batignolles to Belleville, is plunged in gloom and to the wakeful spirits that still haunt the streets and boulevards it seems as if the light of the world had gone out Flickers from thousands of bar fronts until 8 o'clock strikes seem to make a timid effort at revolt then go out as if it were no use. The contest with Gallieni is too unequal Popular restaurants of the more serious minded order hold out longer, but the lights go out at half past nine Then Montmartre fades into nothing.

The "Moulin Rouge" seems to have gone blind; the enormous wings of its windmill that for so many years have unceasingly revolved in a ruddy glow of electric temptation are motionless. The "Moulin de la Galette" possessed now by women of the upper crust, grinds out a daily grist of soldiers' socks, but as soon as the evening shadows fall it stands like a ghost of past glories looking over the anaesthetized joy that lies at its feet.

Cabarets Are Dark.

The cabarets are closely hidden behind iron shutters as if to spare the passerby the pain of regretful memories. "Hell" seems to have decided that it cannot compete with war. The gates of "Heaven" are shut until the end of it all makes it worth while opening and "Neant" quite invisible in the dark shadow of the boulevard, can only typify what Montmartre has become

"American Bars" Closed.

Not far from the great central thoroughfares the "American bars" are almost deserted and many have closed their doors until the recurrence of better times One well known former American jockey has given up his bar for the present and is serving the Red Cross with his automobile

The billiard and pool rooms are for the most part dark and unoccupied. Some which continue to keep open devote part of their receipts to the various relief funds

The amusements most missed are the theatres and variety halls. For three months after the mobilization of the army the only houses where any performance was given were the "movies." This, however, is to undergo a change for various associations of actors and public performers have succeeded in bringing the great distress among their members to the notice of the premier, who has consented the reopening of the playhouses

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Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Langford had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

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LARGE INCREASE OF OATS PROMISED IN THIS REGION

Recent Rains Have Provided Excellent Season and Planting Will Be Heavy

A big acreage of oats will be sown in this section in the coming spring. The recent rains have made an excellent season for spring oats and the prospects for a good demand for all small grains and feed crops will influence any farmers to sow oats. Many farmers are getting ready to plow their ground for oats and other crops as soon as it gets dry enough to work

One danger to the oats crop are the early spring freezes. Farmers figure, however, that if the oats are killed by the freezes, there will then be plenty of time to put the ground in corn, cotton or some other crop

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Many Novelties Are Noted In New Styles For Midwinter Wear

New York, Dec. 26—The one piece frocks which are so smart this year are to be seen in various styles. The dress of serge is serviceable and stylish, and one that I saw not long ago was made simply and in such good style that I shall describe it The waist was very plain, close fitting, but not tight and buttoned from the top of the high collar to the waistline with round bone buttons concave in the center with four visible holes with which to sew it to the dress The sleeves were set into a small armhole and were long and close fitting ,the same kind of buttons only smaller being used on the sleeves from elbow to wrist The skirt was close fitting at the hips and flaring at the lower edge and buttoned straight down the center front. Around the waist was worn a sash of the same colored satin, which wound

around the waist once and tied loosely directly in the front

In the selection of a suit the woman who will wear it, alone should be the judge of the style, but she should beware of the over-long or over-short coat and skirt, for extremes in fashion are never in good taste. The styles are new and smart—if the skirts were narrow, which they most certainly are not, the silhouette would be exactly as it has been for months and months, but the arbiters of fashion have widened the hems, taken width from the hips eliminated drapery and given straight lines from the nape of the neck to the turn of our heel, broken only by fulness below the knee. The very short walking skirt promises to be good; it is a delightfully convenient and comfortable fashion, but it can be over done in a most conspicuous way. A woman with large hips or a mature figure will not look well in the style and the thin, angular woman will do well to carefully watch every eighth of an inch that is taken off or put on the hem of her dress.

The newest styles shown for the suit are the full skirts, with short jackets. One suit which I have used as an illustration is made of dark brown broadcloth The jacket is short and made with a wide belt, which helps to give it the fashionable boxed appearance Except for the buttons the entire suit is made of the broadcloth alone without ornamentation

Another version of the short coat and full skirt combined is shown in the second illustration which is of blue velour. The short jacket has a shaped belt on the lower edge which comes to a point on either hip. This is braided, but the cuffs and revers and collar are of the same material as the rest of the suit The skirt is circular, plain fitting around the waist and flaring at the bottom

Blue serge and gabardine seem to be the most popular choice of all fabrics, and it is unquestioned that they are by far the most serviceable of all materials. In serge the fine small rib is first style. It is smartest for a dressy costume because it is fine and smooth and will lend itself readily to the more elaborate style of suit. Serges with a heavier rib or a wider wale are more suitable for the plainer and more severe types Gabardine is a very strong favorite also and is one of the smartest of materials. It is more of a novelty than a plain serge and promises to be tremendously popular for spring Any style suit can be made of it, for the character of the material gives it a great deal of style. Then there is that which is known as gabardine voile, a finer weave of this same material for those who prefer a lighter weight in cloth.

Fine Ottomin cords are quite a smart novelty in woolen fabrics and narrow faille weaves, the same as in the silk, and are very new and distinctive A number of etamine cloths are shown. The weave of these is closer and finer than that which we have had in past years and it will doubtless be a big success

For dressy frocks there is satin galore—some of it with wonderful high luster and some with a dull cire effect. Faille silk in both wide and narrow cords will be much worn for street costumes There is a beautiful silk known as 'poult de soie;" it is the same weave as faille, but is crisp to the touch, like taffeta silk. In diagonal weave these are very smart when combined with satin. Moire with a marking that is scarcely visible is also shown. Taffetas as soft as chiffon are used for three piece costumes.

Trimming for the suits will depend, of course, upon the individual who wears it. There are flat silk Hercules braids in all widths and applied in almost every way. A smart finish for a suit is a binding of medium width braid particularly one of the plainer type. For a dressy costume, black soutache braid in fancy design with hand embroidery in heavy black floss is most effective. Buttons are stunning and are used in great profusion. Pockets play an important role this season and are to be found on all costumes from tailor mades to evening gowns Silk costumes are

trimmed mostly with contrasting materials and wonderfully smart combinations are seen. There are only touches of hand work and a few exquisitely soft sashes. Buttons of every conceivable style and most unusual designs are worn

For evening and dance frocks the materials are exqpisite and simply beggar description The thinnest and softest of chiffon is trimmed with tulle and fine crystal beads and there are whole frocks of fine silk net in the most beautiful shades Liberty satin is greatly used and fine faille in delicate colors is soft and easily draped Frosty looking taffetas that are crisp, but very soft, are beautiful when combined with the filet lacew that are outlined with delicate silver threads. Satins in two tones are smart and are very new Bands of paillette are used on net and fringes of crystal and silver beads are very new Bodices of silver or metal thread materials are made with skirts of deep lace flouncing and any other desirable material can be substituted

Chiffons in novelty designs with huge flowers strewn over the surface are worn as a scarf, the colors harmonizing with that of the gown. Tulle in soft colors makes an exquisite finish in a scarf for evening wear.

SANTA FE PASSENGER TRAIN DERAILED

By Associated Press.

Cleburne, Texas, Dec 26.—Northbound Santa Fe passenger train No 15 was wrecked at Blum at 5 30 o'clock this morning. Three Dallas passengers were slightly injured and later brought to Cleburne where company surgeons attended them. One coach and one Pullman car turned partially over from the result of a broken rail.

Mr. and Mrs Fred Morris entertained about thirty relatives at a Christmas dinner at their home at 1402 Austin street Friday.

ISLAND, CLOSE TO ENGLAND LEASED BY GERMAN CONCERN

Contract Promptly Terminated When Discovery is Made and Arouses Considerable Stir

By Associated Press.

London, December 25.—One of the strangest stories that has been given birth by the great war is that of the island of Herm, the leasing of which to a German company was recently discussed in the House of Commons. The lease has been terminated, and British troops are billeted on the island, but the question is still being asked, why was England so lax as to rent for a song an island larger than Heligoland, within an hours steaming of England shores?

Herm is one of the Essex channel islands and at one time supported a considerable population. It is a beautiful spot, with an attractive shell beach. In 1889 it was leased by the Crown for $70 a year to the "West Bank Liegnitz Ltd.," which in turn leased it to Prince Blucher von Wahlstatt, a descendent of the illustrious Blucher of Waterloo and himself a German. The Prince and his family lived quietly for years in the manor house on the island, incurring the great displeasure of those who sought to ramble over the place by closing all save one narrow pathway on the beach and plastering about many warnings to trespassers.

Children were born to the Princess there—she is of the Russian royal family—and one of these, a boy, became a naturalized British subject. At no time was the Prince suspected of using his home in any operations against England; but when the war broke out the matter became one of natural agitation culminating in the Home Secretary being asked for an explanation by Sir William Bull.

The explanation was brief. The Government knew the name of the German company holding the lease, it knew moreover that the rent was about five shilling six pence a week; that steps had been taken to cancel this document, that for some weeks British troops had been on the island. Whether Prince Blucher and family had moved from the Manor House was not made clear.

The popular outcry against the Prince, in the opinion of the London press generally, is unjustified; but the Times remarks rather sarcastically that the public might be told a little more about the German company which was able to acquire so cheaply so much good farm and pasture land, together with numerous cottages, not to mention the Manor House. It also is pointed out that the island is in the heart of the English Channel, within sight of the coast of France, about 70 miles from Portland and 40 from Cherbourg. It could be used as a submarine base, though nothing of the kind appears to have been attempted.

GERMAN NAMES IN PARIS ARE RAPIDLY DISCARDED

Streets, Parks, Etc., With Names of Teutonic Origin Are Being Given New Ones

By Associated Press.

Paris, December 25.—The Paris municipal council has decided that the name "Albert" shall be given to an avenue or public square in Paris in honor of the King of Belgium.

The rue de Berlin has already been changed to the rue de Liege and it is proposed to give a Belgian or English name to the Avenue de l 'Opera, which before 1870 was the Avenue Napoleon. The former Avenue d' Allemagne is now the Avenue of Jean Jaures.

The city of Rouen has changed the name of the Boulevard Cancholste Boulevard des Belges.

The Place de la Gare in Orleans has been changed to Place Albert 1 and the two bridges over the Loire have been renamed George V and Nicholas 11.

This is only the beginning of the radical changes of nomenclature that will in all towns of France mark the war. The transformation is not confined to names of streets, squares and places. All German and Austrian names of products have already disappeared. Eau de Cologne is to be called Eau de Louvain or Eau de Provence. Viennese bread is now called Pain Liegois.

In the phonograph parlors all names of German pieces have been marked off the programs.

Rent that spare bed room while the times are hard. A Times Class Ad will find you a reliable person at once. Phone 167 and we will be glad to write the ad for you. 83 tf e

Has Something That Will Stop Headache

If headache develops while shopping or at business just step in any good drug store and ask at the fountain for Hick's Capudine, which is so successful in relieving headache because it removes the cause, whether from cold, heat, nervousness or grip. It is liquid and pleasant to take. Don't ever suffer with headache when this remedy stops it so easily. Take a bottle home. The druggist has it in 10c, 25c and 50c sizes.

Groceries

for less can be had from the old, reliable 'Nuf Sed'

I have just received a carload of Louisiana Pure Ribbon Cane Syrup made by Crocket & Nell. While it lasts ½ gallon for only 25c
One gallon for only 50c
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This is about 40 per cent saving to you. Can you stand the temptation? Buy your Christmas oranges, apples, nuts and candies from the largest stock and prices the lowest in the city. You can live cheaper in Wichita Falls than any town on the Denver Railroad if you buy your groceries at Newton's and you have the chance to get the best goods of every thing to be had. I give you the real bargains and appreciate your trade.

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the ability to save is one of the very first rules in the game of success.

In the Second Place

did you ever meet a successful man who at some time did not owe his success to his co-operation with some bank. Our success depends on your success.

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He sent out this inquiry to a selected list: "If you had to discard all publications you are reading—except one—what would you keep?"

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Every man, woman and child in North America who reads at all is a newspaper reader.

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Newspaper advertising creates a direct and immediate demand. This is why the retail dealer is enthusiastic over newspaper advertised products.

Each newspaper has its distinct clientele and its individual character. It is possible to buy newspaper space with definite knowledge as to where your advertising will go.

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Local News Brevities

Dr. W. B. Farris, Osteopath; room 205 K. & K. Bdg. Phone 1497. 84 tf c

Everybody invited to attend the big auction sale Two sales daily at 2 p. m., and 7 p. m. A. S. Fonville Jeweler. 95 1tc

Miss Ida Dodgen and Mr. Maurice of Dangy were united in marriage by Rev. R. C. Miller at the home of Mrs. W. N. Rollings last Thursday. Both are well and favorably known and are receiving the congratulations of many friends.

The most tempting line of Christmas candies in the city at Sampfil's Bakery. 89 tfc

The auction sale is attracting big crowds at A. S. Fonville's. Two sales daily at 2 and 7 p. m. 95 1tc

A. S Fonville, the jeweler yesterday began an auction sale to reduce his stock of jewelry and a large crowd was present at the opening sale at 2 o'clock E. Mitchell is the auctioneer and sales will be conducted each week day at 2 and 7 p m. Mr. Fonville announces that he overstocked himself before the eastern war rendered business conditions such as they are and this sale is in order to dispose of the surplus goods on hand.

Read The Times ads and make money. You will find many bargains, both in real estate and household goods. If you have a lot or house you want to sell, phone 167 and have a Want Ad inserted in The Times They get results. 83 tf c

A. S. Fonville is having an auction sale to reduce his stock They are selling anything in the store at any price you will pay for it. Two sales daily 2 and 7 p. m. 95 1tc

A marriage license was issued yesterday to A J. Aaron and Mrs. D. S Taper.

Attention Knights of Pythias

Open meeting Tuesday night, Dec. 29, beginning at 7:30. If you have ever been a K. of P. we want you to come and bring someone with you. Good program has been arranged. Cigars and refreshments. T. A. Bradley, C C 95 2tc

Stockholders' Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of stockholders of The Times Publishing Company will be el dat its office, corner Seventh street and Scott avenue, Wichita Falls, Texas, on Friday, January 1st, at 4 p. m., for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as might properly be brought before them.

ED HOWARD, President,
G. D. ANDERSON, Secretary.
83 tf c

Dr. Prothro, dentist. Ward Bldg. Eighth street. 60 tfc

Save For Any Purpose

You can save for any purpose if you become a member of the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club It's the easiest way to pay doctor bills, coal bills, interest, insurance, etc. 95 tfc

Open meeting Knights of Pythias Tuesday night, Dec 29th at 7:30 95 1tc

The Church of Christ

The Church of Christ, on Bluff street, between Eleventh and Twelfth Bible school at 9:30. Lord's Day worship, 11 A very cordial invitation is extended to the public to attend these services

Elders of the Church of Christ.

The city jail which was emptied of thirty-four derelicts Christmas morning when Mayor Britain ordered all the prisoners discharged, is rapidly filling up again Seventeen were put in Christmas day and night Some of these paid fines and were given their liberty Saturday morning but thirteen more were arrested before 9 o'clock last night.

ORDER RESTORED AT AVLONA BY ITALIANS

By Associated Press

Rome, Dec 26.—News received here today from Avlona, Albania, says that the occupation of entire town by Italians has been effected All the government buildings in the Albanian seaport were taken over by the Italians without the slightest incident Perfect order the advices say, has been re-established

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

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Sitting on Coroner's Jury as Measure to Prevent Suicide

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—More than twenty men have been saved from suicide by Coroner Peter M. Hoffman's plan of placing on coroner's juries only those who are in need, it was learned today, from a report on the scheme since it was put in effect September 1. In three months 7,320 jobless men sat on juries and collected $7,320 in fees. The line of applicants some days contained 300.

"The distress relieved is not alone financial," continues the report. "more than twenty men who were discouraged, desperate and admitted they were on the verge of suicide before they sat on a jury were saved by the plan The sight of ghastly remains of those who had killed themselves restrained the would-be suicides."

Over Half Million Motor Vehicles Made In U. S. In 1914

By Associated Press.

Chicago, Dec. 26.—American manufacturers thus far this year have turned out 515,000 motor vehicles valued at $485,000,000. This information came today from Alfred Reeves, general manager of the Automobile Chamber of Commerce, who added that this output came from 450 concerns. He said there were 1,500,000 cars registered in the various states, that there were 15,000 automobile dealers in the country, 13,630 garages and 680 supply houses.

HEAVY FIRE LOSS AT LAKE VILLAGE, ARKANSAS

By Associated Press.

Lake Village, Ark., Dec. 26.—Fire believed to be of incendiary origin caused a loss estimated at $65,000 early this morning. Four of the largest buildings of the town were destroyed and thirteen firms and individuals suffered losses. It is estimated that the loss is slightly more than half covered by insurance.

ITALY'S QUEEN GIVES BIRTH TO A DAUGHTER

By Associated Press

Rome, Dec 26—Queen Helena of Italy gave birth to a daughter this afternoon Both mother and child are doing well. Queen Helena who is a daughter of King Nicholas of Montenegro, married King Victor Emmanual October 24, 1896. The royal couple now have five children, four daughters and one son.

GRIM FAMINE ABROAD IN SOUTHERN REPUBLIC

Conditions at Some Points Rival Those in European Theatre of War

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Conditions of famine and suffering in Mexico, said by some observers to rival the distress in the European theatre of war are described in reports today to the American Red Cross with appeals for help Consul-General Hanna has sent the following message from Monterey

"There is an alarming shortage of staple food supplies. Several outlying towns are appealing for help If the winter keeps cold there will be great suffering I need 2,000 cheap blankets After four years of war this whole country is short of food"

SHOOTING GALLERIES IN ENGLAND WELL PATRONIZED

Many People Practice Marksmanship There—Instruction by "Texas Cowgirl"

London, Dec 26.—Shooting galleries have enjoyed a great boom in England sin ctehe opening of the war. Vacant store-rooms in all parts of England and Ireland have been converted into galleries which are successful competitors with moving picture houses showing war scenes.

"Learn to shoot and help your country" is a sign which is conspicuous in the busy centers of English cities. Many of the galleries also offer war publications and postcards which are displayed with such signs as "Come in and have the Texas Cowgirl teach you how to shoot."

Crackshots from Australia and South Africa are also featured as instructors in marksmanship in many of the galleries. Some of the galleries make prominent displays of firearms of all ages and all nations together with photographs of Buffalo Bill and other celebrated scouts.

Several of the galleries in Central London have American Indians dressed in beaded buckskin acting as instructors. Others have Australian bushrangers and American "rough riders."

DEATH FROM FOUL PLAY IS SUSPECTED

BODY OF W. B. RICHARDS FOUND AT ELECTRA WITH GASHES ON HEAD

LAY IN A POOL OF BLOOD

Victim Last Seen Alive at Nine O'Clock Christmas Night—Inquest in Progress

Special to The Times.

Electra, Texas, Dec. 26.—With horrible gashes on the head of the body of W. B. Richard, who has been employed by W. B. McDermott, a contractor in the moving of heavy materials and oil field supplies, was found lying in front of Black, Swivall's and Bryson's paint shop here early this morning. Death is believed to have been the result of foul play, but up to a late hour tonight no arrests had been made, and indeed if the officers have any clew as to the identity of the murderer, they have not made the fact known. Justice of the Peace H. Y. Newsome conducted an inquest today and is still holding the inquest open for more testimony.

Richard's body was discovered at about eight o'clock this morning by Mr. Swivalls, one of the owners of the paint shop, who had been out of town and had just returned on the morning train. He went to his shop before going to his home and was shocked to find Richard's body lying in a pool of blood, almost directly in front of the door of the shop. News of the discovery spread quickly and Justice Newsome was called and after an examination of the scene ordered the body removed to Sheldon's undertaking parlors where it is being held.

Relatives of Richards in California and in Colorado have been notified but up tonight no word had been heard from them.

Deputy Sheriff J. B. Moore and Constable T. F. Morrow have been working in conjunction with Justice Newsome and Assistant County Attorney Ed Yarborough and it is believed that they have unearthed important evidence, although no statement will be given out. The exact nature of the wounds on Richard's head, which it is believed, caused his death, have not even been made public. It is believed by those who say the body before it was moved to the undertaking parlors and who saw the pools of blood at the scene that Richards received his death blow not far from the spot where the body lay. The body was cold when discovered and he had evidently been dead some hours.

Richards was about 40 years old and so far as is known was unmarried. He was over six feet tall and weighed probably 165 pounds, being of unusual strength and on this account was a valuable help in loading and unloading heavy materials in which work he was empolyed. He had been in Electra more than two years. So far as is known Richards was last seen alive at about nine o'clock last night. He was then up town and is said to have been under the influence of intoxicants.

Billion Packages Carried by Uncle Sam in Year 1914

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 26.—Preliminary estimates today by postoffice officials placed the number of Christmas packages handled during the Christmas rush at 100,000,000 and indicated that the total volume of parcel post traffic for 1914, would total nearly 1,000,000,000.

CAMPAIGN AGAINST INCREASE IN BAGGAGE RATES

By Associated Press

Cincinnati, O., Dec 26.—A protest against any increase in passenger or excess baggage rates on any of the railroads was started here today at a meeting of the Traveling Men's Association of the Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. More than 400 members attended the meeting and a committee was appointed to lay the petition before the Interstate Commerce Commission Another committee was appointed to circulate like petitions throughout the United States.

NEW CONTRABAND LIST ANNOUNCED BY ENGLAND

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec 26—Great Britain today notified the United States government that a new list of conditional and absolute contraband had been issued. The previous list of conditional contraband is maintained but sulphur and glycerin are transferred to the list of absolute contraband.

ASKS AID OF GERMANS IN LOCATING AMERICAN WOMAN

By Associated Press

Washington, Dec. 26.—Secretary Bryan is endeavoring, through the German government to locate Countess Day Buissaret, formerly Miss Carolina Storey of this city. The Germans in Brussels would not permit her it is said, either to join her husband with the Belgian minister at Petrograd or to communicate with her mother here. Mrs Storey recently received through friends information that her daughter was dangerously ill in Brussels as the result of an operation.

MEXICAN PRISONER TAKEN TO SAN ANTONIO

By Associated Press

San Antonio, Texas, Dec 26—Federico Sanches, a young Mexican spirited away from Oakville, Texas by officers to prevent a lynching by residents of Oakville is in jail here. The Mexican is reported to have admitted his guilty knowledge of the killing of Harry Hinton, sheriff and jailer at Oakville last Sunday night. Sanches was captured in a Mexican settlement near Oakville by a posse but quickly taken in charge by the officers and on a pretext of returning him to Oakville was brought to this city.

MAYTORENA RAISES SIEGE OF NACO

VILLA GENERAL BURNS HIS CAMP AND RETREATS TO SOUTHWARD

UNBURIED DEAD ARE FOUND

160 Bodies Found At One Place and 72 At Another—Hill's Losses 165

By Associated Press.

Naco, Ariz., Dec. 26.—Governor Jose Maytorena of Sonora today lifted the siege of Naco, Sonora opposite here and retired to the southwest with his troops. He destroyed his works, burned his camps and removed all his artillery. Governor Benjamin Hill commanding the Carranza forces of Naco sent out scrimmagers who had a bloodless encounter with the Maytorena rear guard. Hill's man took three women prisoners and picked up a shrapnel shell left in camp It exploded while being examined killing three and wounding thirteen, two of whom died

The unburied were reported lying all along the line that had been occupied by Maytorena. In one spot Hill said his men found 160 bodies. At another 75 were found. The total loss of the Carranza garrison during the siege was placed at 165 men by General Hill tonight. Maytorena's total figures were estimated at 800. On the American side stray bullets from the Mexican fighting lines killed five and wounded 47.

HEAVY LIQUOR SHIPMENTS FROM SAN ANGELO

By Associated Press.

San Angelo, Texas, Dec. 26.—It is estimated that $20,000 worth of liquor was sold here and shipped from San Angelo Thursday and Christmas day. Never before have saloon keepers handled so much liquor in so short a time in West Texas.

JUDGE DISQUALIFIED BY THREATENING LETTERS

By Associated Press.

Fort Smith, Ark., Dec. 26.—Because he had received numerous anonymous threatening letters Judge Newmans was disqualified to hold the January term of court here and Judge James P. Elliott of South Dakota will sit on the bench it was announced today. At that term of court coal miners under indictment charged with conspiracy against the government will be tried.

GERMAN TROOPS DO NOT BELITTLE THEIR ENEMY

By Associated Press.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Evidence of the reaction of German officers and soldiers fighting at the front against the tendency to belittle the fighting qualities of the enemy continues to accumulate.

Soldiers' letters and returning soldiers speak in terms of high appreciation of the military prowess and soldiery qualities of their opponents and among several hundred wounded with whom the correspondent of the Associated Press has talked in his visits to hospitals the last fortnight no one was found who refused to credit the enemy in general, Russian, French and Belgian and English with bravery and military skill.

Distinctions are drawn, it is true, the British being generally reckoned as the toughest opponents on the west front.

The Germans had a high opinion of the fighting qualities of the French soldier before this war began. The fighting which occurred on the march from the Belgian frontier to the Marne and Paris tended to lessen their respect for toughness of French moral fibre, but the last two months have changed that again and soldier's letters reflect increased respect for them. The recent fighting of the remnant of the Belgian army in Flanders also has greatly raised the German estimation of the Belgian soldier, who in the general army opinion, had not greatly distinguished himself at Liege, Namur and Antwerp and the intervening field engagements.

The English Opponents

As to the British, field post letters continue to bear out the statement from a German expert as to their robust fighting qualities. One of the latest of these letters, printed in the Cologne Gazette, contains the following striking passage:

"People at home appear to have wrong notions about the fighting qualities of the enemy The English are the toughest and bravest foe we have to meet. Every individual man keeps on shooting cooly so long he is not taken prisoner and these trained veterans shoot well. When we storm a position the French will run when we close in with our shouts of 'hurrah,' but the English will stick tenaciously to their entrenchments to the last."

Danzer's Armeezeitung, the leading military publication of Austria, pays a high tribute to the Servian, Belgian and Russian troops. The Servians are called brave, but declaration is made that they are without food and ammunition. Credit is given the Belgians for standing with England and France "when they must have realized that their own cause was irredeemably lost. The press is criticised for its attacks on the Russians, saying they are brave and capable.

DENVER HOTEL BURNS, SIX PERSONS INJURED

Denver, Colo., Dec. 26.—Six persons were burned, some seriously in a fire which early today swept several rooms on the third floor of the Buckingham Hotel, a fashionable apartment house. Fifty scantily clad persons were driven into the streets by the flames. The property damage was small and the fire's origin unknown.

GIFTS FOR 400 BY SALVATION ARMY

RESPLENDENT CHRISTMAS TREE WITH REAL SANTA AND GIFTS FOR ALL

NOBODY WAS FORGOTTEN

325 Children and 160 Grown-Ups Made Happy in Gift Distribution

Three hundred and twenty-five children of all ages and sizes but sharing the same happy expectancy and gratitude were made happy in the gift distribution at the Salvation Army's Christmas tree Friday night while nearly a hundred older folks received nice remembrances. Following a pleasing program of songs and recitations and a happy speech by Mayor Britain a real Santa Claus slipped in through the back door and began the distribution of toys, dolls candies, nuts, oranges. apples and other Christmas cheer to the children.

There were toys and dolls and candy for all and not one went away empty handed. The Salvation Army hall was packed to its utmost capacity The big Christmas tree reaching to the ceiling filled one entire corner of the room and it was illumined and bespangled until it glittered in dazzling splendor. Santa Claus was everything that Santa Claus could be expected to be.

A number of spectators dropped in to witness the festivities and tears sprang to the eyes of more than one hard-headed business man as he witnessed the unalloyed joy of expectant and happy childhood. All agreed that Captain and Mrs. Robb and their coworkers had done things up right and all were glad to know that Wichita Falls had a corps of the Salvation Army here.

VAUDEVILLE BILL AT THE LYDIA MARGARET

Wood Bros, Irish athletes in a singing and talking act and Oda Bergere, comedienne, make up the vaudeville bill at the Lydia Margaret for the first half of the week. Wood Bros, come heralded as a whole vaudeville show themselves, doing singing, talking and athletics. They style themselves as Irish Athletes and will undoubtedly add another success to the long list at this popular amusement place.

CARPENTER FORCED BY BANDITS TO SIGN CHECK

By Associated Press.

Cleveland, Dec. 26.—Christian Jouget, a carpenter, was left bound and gagged in his home tonight after two well dressed young men had compelled him to make out a check for $400 to the order of his wife. The wife, a witness, was compelled by one of the men to accompany him to a bank where she procured the cash. She turned the money over to the bandit at the point of a revolver on a street ride to the bank The police arrested both men and recovered the money. Peter Madonea, aged 22 is one of the men The other would not give his name.

SUIT FOR $1,800,000 AGAINST FILM COMPANY

By Associated Press

New York, Dec 26—The Greater New York Film Rental Company, an exchange for the circulation of moving picture films in New York City filed a Sherman law suit against the General Film Company, its officers and companies for $1,800,000 three times the amount of damage alleged to have been caused by the defendant's acts.

WOUNDED FRENCH SOLDIER SAVED AFTER FIFTEEN DAYS

By Associated Press.

Havre, Dec. 26.—An account of how a wounded French soldier who had wandered for fifteen days between the two battle lines with no food except raw vegetables at last stumbled upon his own troops in the dark, where he was rescued by a comrade, is told by a French infantryman at the front in a letter to his parents at Havre.

"I was one of a handful of men guarding a canal," he said, "with orders to shoot anyone appearing on the other side. In the night, just about dawn, I heard a sharp cry of 'halt.' It came from one of the sentries who noticed a creeping figure just across the canal. A voice came back: 'France! Don't shoot. I'm wounded'

"This kind of adventure had cost us dearly on many occasions, so we called our captain. While we kept the silhouette under the cover of our rifles, the captain put a number of questions. In reply, the man told us he was wounded fifteen days previously Since then he had been wandering about, living on the fod growing in the fields, fearing both to run into the German lines and at the same time dreading to be shot by mistake in trying to find his way into the French lines. His wounds were such, he said, that he was unable to cross the ditch and he begged one of us to come over after him.

"Was this a trap, we wondered? But the captain believed the man and asked for a volunteer for the rescue. To cross the canal meant exposure to the fire of German outposts, for the sky was now clearing. We had in our company a postman from Normandy named Guyot. Without a moment's hesitation, Guyot ran to the canal, crossed took the man on his back, and returned."

The wounded man suffered from five bullet holes, including a badly infected one in the leg.

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Don't miss this attraction, something different from anything ever shown in this city. High Class and Educational.

This noted Speacial Feature is coming with the highest endorsements from Dallas and Fort Worth, as being a record breaker for business, and highly pleasing to the public. An interesting lecture is given on the picture.

Mr Healy, of Fort Worth, who owns and controls two of the largest theatres there, says this Big Feature is without doubt the best ever shown in Fort Worth.

In connection with this Big Special we will run our Regular Program, making Six Big Reels —A Big Double Show

Take a Trip Through Mexico From the Arena to the Palace

All brutality eliminated—just what the visitor would like to see if in Mexico.

WHEAT CONTINUES TO SELL AT $1.15 BU. HERE

Condition of the Roads Does Not Permit Delivery—Market Excited

Wheat continued at $1.15 a bushel in the local wagon market yesterday with a strong demand A considerable amount of wheat stored in the elevators by farmer owners was sold at this figure but the condition of the roads would not permit hauling from the farms to town. The futures' market was higher but excited but if the advance is maintained this week a further advance in prices here is expected. Prices are now nearly as high as in the famous Leiter corner a dozen years ago.

It is estimated that more than 20 per cent of last year's crop is still in the hands of the farmers in this section Some Wichita county farmers have thousands of bushels in their granaries.

MANY TROUBLES DUE TO AN INACTIVE LIVER

Many of the troubles of life such as headache, indigestion, constipation and lack of energy are due to inactive liver. GRIGSBY'S LIV-VER-LAX is a natural vegetable remedy that will get the liver right and make these troubles disappear. It has none of the dangers or disagreeable after effects of calomel.

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ED HOWARD, Manager.

Christmas is over now and if little Willie wants to see what's on the inside of that toy with which he is making such a racket, just let him have his way about it.

The Electra Commercial Club has cut out one good job for the year 1915—that of using its efforts to have an oil refinery established there. If it succeeds, it will be enough for one year.

The celebrated French seeress, Mme. de Thebis, predicts or prophesies that the war in Europe will cease at the end of the astral year, between March and July of 1915 Maybe she is correct, at least it will not hurt us to hope that her prediction hits the spot this time.

Now here's a chance for some one to get his picture in all the leading newspapers and magazines of the country: An advertising agency for a well known brand of smoking tobacco has requested The Times to get the names and photos of all smokers who are 100 years or older who reside in this part of the country and send them to him to be used as stated above Avoid the rush by sending in your names early.

Hester, considered by many to be an expert in cotton crop matters, estimates the surplus of this year's crop at 9,000,000 bales. With that much to start with, how much will cotton bring next year, even if only about one-half as much is raised as was raised this year? The cotton farmer is the one interested and he should be able to figure it out.

There is nothing mean or small about Colonel Henry Watterson. He never did like Woodrow Wilson from the start. He does not like the Wilson type, but the other day he described the president as "a very up-to-date middling intelligent, devilish safe man." —Beaumont Enterprise.

And while we may think that times are just a little bit hard now, one can't but reflect the conditions of things generally by this time had not the presidential election of 1912 resulted as it did. At that time Col Watterson was sulking in the Democratic tent. He now sees his mistake and is trying to get in line again

Many of The Times' friends have accused it of showing partiality to the Germans in this European war, and many of its German readers are threatening to stop their subscriptions if it does not cease showing a too friendly spirit toward the Allies And there you are. The Times, however, has been doing its best to be neutral, but after all, we are forced to admit that unless a man's mind is a blank, it is almost next to impossible for him to be neutral in anything or on any question. He can, however, be independent in all things. Therefore, The Times merely takes the position that this European war is no affair of American citizens They did not bring it about and they are powerless to end it. The way this paper views the European situation is about like this Germany claims the land, England the seas; Germany has built up an army—a tremendous fighting machine to back up her claims. England has built up a great navy, the greatest in the world, and she insists on what she claims is her right—that of mistress or master of the seas. The question for American citizens to settle for themselves is From which of these great powers have we the greatest cause for fear?

COTTON CHRISTMAS GIFT.

At last the cotton pool is ready to make loans. We are getting its action rather as a Christmas gift. The loan per bale is not to be so large as many had hoped. Nevertheless, it will do good if used. It is to be hoped that farmers and others who hold cotton will borrow money from the pool. If they do so money will be put in circulation, benefiting business generally, and the tying up of say 4,000,000 bales of cotton will have a beneficial effect upon the price of cotton in general.—Dallas Journal.

Our understanding of that $135,000,000 cotton loan is that it is available only to the cotton farmers who are in a position to put up the cotton as security in 100 bale lots and if that is true, very few cotton farmers will get the benefit, directly, of the loan at a low rate of interest, which amounts to about 4 per cent interest, per annum after all the red tape attached to the loan has been complied with.

With at least two thirds of the cotton crop still in the hands of the farmers of Wichita county and warehoused cotton of good grade bringing seven and a half cents a pound, and with wheat selling for $1.15 a bushel from the wagon and twenty per cent or more of the crop still in the hands of the farmers the outlook is'nt half bad in this section.

NOT CABINET SIZE

An ex-Senator in Washington was talking one afternoon to a group of newly elected Congressmen about to be sworn in. "Be careful, boy," said he, "not to appear green. Think before you speak, and you'll not give yourself away. I should hate to hear that any of you had acted as a new member from Arkansas once did.

"As soon as he reached Washington he went to a photographer's to be pictured for the papers.

"'I want my likeness taken,' said he.

"'Cabinet?' asked the photographer.

"The man from Arkansas reddened and looked pleased. 'No' he replied, just plain Congressman.'"—New York Times.

SAYS MAJORITY AGAINST MANUFACTURE OF LIQUOR.

The Times:

The vote in Congress on submitting to the States the prohibition question, clearly discloses one fact, and that is that a majority of the people of the United States are against the manufacture and sale of alcoholic liquors. Congressmen rarely ever vote against the sentiments of the people who elected them and a majority voted for this amendment, while others declared they favored prohibition, but voted against the amendment, because they thought it destroyed the doctrine of States rights. As you said editorially the vote shows that prohibition sentiment is rapidly growing.

Mr. Bryan in the November issue of The Commoner makes some statements that are very significant in view of this vote by Congress He warns the Democratic party that it must champion the cause of temperance and morality and that it must turn its back on the brewery and the bar room interests if it is to remain in power and enjoy the confidence of the people. He declares the young men of the nation will not allign themselves with any party that does not declare against the liquor interests and closes his ringing statement with these significant words addressed to Democrats, that they must "get ready for the fight."

Will prohibition cut any figure in the presidential elections of the future? The vote in Congress indicates that it will and Mr. Bryan's editorial on "The Alchoholic Millstone" increases that belief. A careful reading of his statement shows that he is ready to commit the Democratic party against the saloon and the brewery. Bryan is a great man and a powerful and dominating factor in the Democratic party and all signs indicate that we are to have lively times ahead.

DEMOCRAT.

Cheerful News

The eminent physicians had been called in consultation. They had retired to another room to discuss the patient's condition. In the closet of that room a small boy had been concealed by the patient's directions to listen to what the consultation decided and to tell the patient, who desired genuine information.

"Well, Jimmy," said the patient when the boy came to report, "what did they say?"

"I couldn't tell you that," said the boy. "I listened as hard as I could, but they used such big words I couldn't remember much of it. All I could catch was when one doctor said:

"'Well, we'll find that out at the autopsy'"—Boston Record.

MORATORIUM

Our readers have doubtless noticed from time to time since the European war began that various countries declared a moratorium, and from the reading of these newspaper announcements one would quite likely infer that it had something to do with the payment of bills or the discharging of obligations. England, France and Germany all declared moratorium and some other countries have done likewise, especially countries in South America, Chile and Argentina, are very, we might say, absolutely, dependent upon the European countries. When the financial resources of Germany, France and England were withdrawn from the South American countries they immediately felt a tremendous monetary strain, and people in those countries found it almost impossible to discharge obligations, such as notes, bills for goods, in fact, all promises to pay; and this was no less a vital situation in England, France and Germany, where the consideration of actual money, especially during a short time after the war began. When the three great belligerent powers put a ban upon the paying out of cash by the banks and other financial institutions, and prohibited the exportation of money to those nations abroad, the people of those countries found that they could not pay their bills, discharge their obligations, because they could not obtain the money with which to do so. The closing of the American stock exchanges prevented the holders of American securities in England, France and Germany from liquidating on this side, this is, disposing of their securities in our markets. The exchanges in the United States ceased doing business as a protection to their own resources and to the stock of gold of the country. If the American exchanges had remained open for business the European holders of American securities would have dumped those securities into our exchanges and the country would have been drained in a twinkling of its gold supply.

This condition of affairs, that is, the scarcity of money in Europe, England, France and Germany, was the reason why those countries declared moratorium—which means that parties are given further time in which to pay their bills then due, in which to discharge their obligations then mature. The moratorium has been extended two or three times. In England the extreme monetary distress did not last so long, so we believe it was not necessary to extend the moratorium. We have seen no recent advices from Germany which have given any information with regard to moratorium since it was first declared. But it seems really a period of grace and if conditions continue so that people are unable ot discharge their obligations during the period of moratorium declared the period is usually extended. It does not excuse debtors from the payment of their bills, but it gives them another opportunity to pay them and excuses them from obligation for the present, for the simple reason that they are unable to pay through no fault of theirs solely through the lack of the money in this country available for commercial uses.—The Trades Index.

GREATEST POEMS OF THE YEAR

William Stanley Braithwaite, in an extensive article in the Boston Transcript, has chosen the best thirty poems of the year Among these he gives chief prominence to the following poem, "The Flirt," by Amelia Josephine Burr, author of "In Deep Places" and other important volumes of verse

Beautiful boy, lend me your youth to play with;
My heart is old
Lend me your fire to make my twilight gay with,
To warm my cold.
Prove that the power my look has not forsaken,
That at my will
My touch can quicken pulses and awaken
Man's passion still.
That moment that I ask do not begrudge me.
I shall not stay.
I shall have gone, ere you have time to judge me,
My empty way
I am not worth remembrance, little brother,
Even to damn
One kiss—O God' if I were only other
Than what I am'

THE ANSWER.

Life, Death and Love once stood beside a field,
Where men had fought with sword and gun and shield,
And as they stood Life spoke with bated breath
And said, 'I wonder when the foes will yield?"

Then Death with hollow eyes looked at the men
Who gasping lay about his feet, and then—
"I think," he said, "when all the world is drenched
In blood, the strife will finish—only then'"

But Love looked far away with tear-filled eyes
My friends," he said, "beyond the sun there lies
A land where flowers bloom with perfume sweet,
Where no one suffers pain, and no one dies

And in this country at the rainbow's end
There lives a King who is a Helper, Friend;
Who pardons sins and washes guilt away,
And when man know His Love, the war will end."

—Margaret E. Sangster Jr.

WAIT, WATCH AND HOPE

By Herman Ridder in New York Staats Zeitung.

We can but watch the great bleeding heart of humanity throb to the accumulation of the endless sorrows which sadden it day by day—and wait—and hope. All that we had prayed for during the last few encouraging years in the way of the brotherhood of man and a lasting and assured peace has seemingly perished in the shambles on the plains of Flanders and Poland.

We can look forward to the spring and the flowers and to the rebirth of life when it is to be accomplished by so terrible a toll of death. War knows no seasons. It is a perpetual harvest of sorrow and destruction. It is indeed an optimist who can find a shred of hope in all this gloom.

Each one of us has been apportioned his share of the sacred load of humanity. Our responsibility is in direct proportion to our ability in carrying forward the work of humanity toward its destined goal. Previous to the war, millions of human beings in Europe were marching shoulder to houlder, steadily and surely, along the road to a better and nobler day. Happiness, like a cloth of gold, was being spun to stretch from the North Sea to the Mediterranean and from the Atlanto to the crests of the Ural mountains The cause of freedom and of social betterment was progressing, if not fast enough to satisfy the most impatient socialists, at least advancing within the steady bounds of liberalism Some of us had even perceived bread rifts in the clouds of militarism and autrocratic feudalism that has blanketed the international development of peace and good will among men

How doomed to disappointment have we been. The majority praying for peace have been powerless in the hands of the minority cursing us with war. We dreamed the dream of a sweeter day to come, and awoke to the realization of a brutal dawn The women of Europe are crucified with the sorrows of Mary. We who hoped to find our sons sharing the benefits of universal peace—we see them dying with the stamp of hatred and the lust of blood upon their swollen, distorted faces No matter how we, in paradoxical manner, attempt to clothe the victims of war with halo of patriotism and heroism—we know that in hurrying millions of young lives before the judgment seat of the Almighty we cannot deceive Him with this frail delusion. One cannot storm the citadel of heaven with the blood of one's fellow man still warm and red upon his hands One cannot look upon an eternal vision of serenity with the lust of killing still seamed upon his face

It is not a lovely thing to the great eternity of humanity with one's soul blackened and shrunken with the indelible stamp of war

We have cast aside the burden of mankind For each step we have been stumbling forward, each step won with such infinite pains and sacrifice, we are now hurrying backward at a pace that numbs the heart How we shall have to fight to regain this lost ground! Our sons and our sons' sons will be forced to stagger under the burden that a few in an insane moment have placed upon them all.

Christmas is approaching, but the carols of that sacred day will be muffled with the ache of a million broken hearts The terror of it is with us all day and all night. There is a day of reckoning to come, when the books will be balanced and then God pity those who humanity shall hold responsible for this sacrifice

Allow me to conclude with Miss Gertrude C. Hopkins' excellent lines taken from the Cranford (N. J.) Chronicle

Death Masks

You say that the white of his face in the darkness gleamed strangely,
As touched by a light
That is given alone to those who die greatly, whose honor
Gave all for the right;
You bring me his sword and his sash and the message of comrades,
All that they knew
Of the last of the hours that he spent on this earth, me, his mother—
You comfort me so— — —

And I tell you you lie'

I tell you the last that he knew of this earth was its hatred and anger,
Blood blinded his eyes,
What gleamed white in the dark was the tightly-clenched teeth of his raging,
Cursing the skies.
For his face was as blackened, awry, as the soul they tore from him,
Hurled to God's feet
A devil, the horrible madness of murder upon him—
My son who was so sweet!

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PRISONERS IN GERMANY TIRED OF DOING NOTHING

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By Associated Press.

Geneva, Dec 26—English and French soldier prisoners in Germany are well treated, especially the wounded in the hospitals, as a recent visit by a Swiss committee to the hospitals of Constance and Munich proves, but the men want something to do The soldiers, it is stated, are feeling the effects of idleness and many are willing to break stones to pass away the time Among the English and French prisoners, even in the ranks, are many well educated men, and the prospects of remaining many months perhaps a year without doing anything appalls them German authorities are distributing among the prisoners pamphlets on German Kultur translated in different languages, giving a Berlin account of the war intended to show that Germany was attacked by Triple Entente and is only defending herself

SAN FRANCISCO AN INSPIRATION FOR RUINED CITIES

By Associated Press

Paris, Dec 26—Senator Pierre Gomot, writing to the Petit Journal urges the sending to the Panama Exposition at San Francisco of reproductions of the ruined cities of France—Rheims, Lille and Arras and also of Liege and Louvain in Belgium

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Personal Mention

Miss Adelaide Gibson left yesterday for a visit at Ennis.

R. B. Smith of Hamlin is visiting his daughter, Mrs. D. W. Burns.

R. M. Blocker of Honey Grove is visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. O. Harvey.

Miss Rose Reisenberg who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joe Art will leave today for Fort Worth.

Mrs. W. H. Cousins and children left yesterday for a visit with relatives at Haskell.

J. A. Cartwright of Vernon is visiting Bob Lyons and family and Mrs. John Loyd.

Otto F. Hatcher of Dallas is here for a short visit with his uncle, H. A. Fairchild.

Mrs. A. H. Carrigan went down to Archer City yesterday for a visit with old friends.

Mrs. L. T. Walters left yesterday for a visit with her son, J. Frank Peery Jr., at Wills Point.

Mrs. C. E. Matlock is expected to arrive today for a visit with her daughter, Mrs. Piner Avis.

Mrs. J. C. Gilbreath and Miss Fannie Gilbreath are the guests of Ben McClanahan and family.

Miss Carrie Simmons has gone to Terrell to be at the bedside of her sister, Mrs. Cavanaugh.

Miss Laura Martin has gone to Bellevue to be the guest of Miss Vivian Manning for a few days.

Miss Imogene Littlejohn of Sulphur Springs is the guest of her sister, Mrs. J. W. Lee for the holidays.

J. C. Ward who was injured a week ago when he was struck by an automobile is again able to be out.

Mrs. A. Crawford of Electra came down yesterday for a visit with her brother, M. J. Gardner and family.

Orville Monroe, the real estate man, is at Clinton, Oklahoma, where he is visiting his parents for sevral days.

Joe Stephenson and wife left yesterday for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. Elbert Reed at Carlsbad, Texas.

O. T. Anderson and family came up from Olney Friday to visit G. D. Anderson and family for several days.

Mrs. J. A. Hargett and James W. Hargett of Moody are the guests of Mrs. Loud Gebhart, 1416 Twelfth street

Miss Evelyn Hawley of Louisville, Ky., will arrive tonight for a visit with her cousin, Miss Llall Nolen, 1100 Indiana.

Miss Mina Burns and little sister, Mae, left this afternoon for Mangum, Okla., to spend the week with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thomas and children of Seymour, stopped off here yesterday while en route to Vernon to visit relatives.

Mrs. M. A. Wilson and granddaughter, Miss Flossie Colgan of Megargel, are spending the holiday with Mrs. B. F. Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Reddick of Springfield, Mo., were expected to arrive yesterday for a visit with R. E. Bennett and family.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Davis of Decatur arrived yesterday for a visit with their daughter, Mrs. H. A. Fairchild and Mrs. J. L. Waggoner.

Sanford Wilson who was in from Archer county yesterday reports that the wheat is looking fine since the rains and snow last week.

O. R. Dunn returned to Fort Worth yesterday after a visit with Mrs. W. E. Brothers and family. Mrs. Dunn remained for a longer visit.

Rev. W. N. Vernon and family returned to their home at Roanoke yesterday after spending Christmas with his mother, Mrs. V. W. Dodd.

Mrs. C. W. Hinson and daughter of Graham and Mr. and Mrs. W. T. McWilliams and son of Weatherford are holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Yates.

Ira Wills, auditor for the Blair-Hughes Company of Dallas is visiting friends here for a few days. Mr. Wills was formerly connected with the same company here.

Mr. and Mrs. Marshall West, Jr., of Henryetta, Oklahoma, and Charles West of Springfield, Mo., were Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs. William West, 516 Lamar.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Aten and small son, Bobbie of Amarillo, are the Christmas guests of Mr. and Mrs H. J. Bachman. They will remain until the latter part of next week.

Among the out of town Christmas visitors here Friday were H. Blackstock of Petrolia, J. O. Shipley, J. A. Brunner, G. M. Stone, T. B. White, A. A. Abney and John Byers of Electra and S. Dodson of Goodnight.

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H. P. Hughes returned to his home at Fort Worth yesterday after spending Christmas with H. A. Allen and family. Mr. Allen's children are grandchildren of Mr. Hughes.

Sam Reisenberg of Sherman, is the guest of J. L. Art and family.

Miss Laura Martin went to Bellevue yesterday for a visit with friends.

Judge W. P. Stimson of Graham who has been in the city for several days visiting friends, will return to his home at Graham today. He will be accompanied by Judge Akin who will spend a few days there.

A. D. Ford, who has been visiting in the city during the holidays, will return to his home in Denison today. He will be accompanied by his son, Floyd.

J R. Hyatt of the First State Bank & Trust Co., has returned from in Gainesville for a visit with friends and relatives.
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G. B. McMinn, a traveling salesman out of Oklahoma City, is the guest of his brother at 1102 Scott avenue. Mr McMinn went from here to Oklahoma City last April.

GIRL DIES FROM BURNS IN GASOLINE EXPLOSION

Dallas, Texas, Dec. 26.—Miss Cecile Grice, aged eighteen, died from burns received in a gasoline stove explosion at her home here today.

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MUSICIANS CLUB CONCERT PROVES ENJOYABLE FEATURE

The members of the Musicians' Club entertained with a concert Christmas evening at the First Presbyterian Church, the affair proving one of the most enjoyable musical treats this city has had in some time There was a large crowd present and every number on the appropriate program was enjoyed. The members of the club have been rehearsing for this event for some time, first under the tutelage of Mrs. G. Fred Thompson, and after she was called away, under Mrs. Fred Barron. The audience appeared that the church atmosphere precluded applause and in this way probably cheated itself out of some encore numbers; at the conclusion of the program Mr. Kemp arose and suggested that those present give some evidence of their appreciation and the response was hearty and emphatic Vocal solos by Mesdames Tully and Walter Robertson, a violin solo by Mrs. T. B. Greenwood and an organ number by the accompanist Mrs. O. E. Maer, with the choral numbers constituted the program. Those taking part included: Mesdames Artley, Beavers, Carpenter, Thorburn, Tully, Wade Walker, Darnell, Japhet, Priddy, Robertson, Sanders, Barron, Ferguson, Misses Jewel Kemp, Grace Noles, Hazel Hunter, Agnew, Mary Orth, Florence Sammons and Della Stone.

B. O. P.'s ENTERTAIN VERY PLEASANTLY FRIDAY EVENING

The B. O. P.s, an organization of young ladies of the M. E. Church, South, entertained their members and friends Christmas evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs Dan Hardy Friday evening, in one of the most pleasant affairs of the holiday season. The Christmas idea was the keynote in the decorations of berries, evergreens and mistletoe with which the rooms were adorned and the holiday spirit was made more marked by the informality of the occasion. Contests of several kinds were provided these including guessing at the number of berries in a cluster of mistletoe, efforts to make as many words as possible out of the word Christmas and trials at making pictures of Santa Claus, all of which were the source of much enjoyment. Music was provided during the evening by Misses Beryl Murph and Marion Crabtree and Mrs. John Chambers Late in the evening those present received packages through an improvised parcels post, the bundles containing various little gifts. The boys found their supper partners by matching their gifts with those received by the girls Refreshments of fruit salad, chicken sandwiches, wafers, olives and hot chocolate were served. The abundant hospitality that is ever present in the Hardy home and the abilities of the young ladies as entertainers made the affair one of thorough enjoyment for all who participated. Those present included: Misses Tula Stokes, Marion Crabtree, Cora Lee Waggoner, Opal Shaver, Mary Coffield, Dorothy Yeager, Beryl Murph, Rhea Gardner, Vira Hinckley, Anna Belle King, Icie Stringer, Nell Bullock, Hazel Ford of Denison, Pauline Mears, Annette Coffield, Una Cook, Pauline Harris, Messrs. E. H. Eddleman, Bryan Hanks, Johnson, Cecil Crowell, Glenn Berry, J. Stokes, Andrews, Clarence Dodge, Howard English, Harold Murph, Floyd Ford of Denison, Howell Cox of Mangum, Leslie Millican, Chat McDowell, J Gordon Auld, Carl Drake, H Prater, G. Shaw, John Butts, Messrs. and Mesdames Dan Hardy, John Chambers, M. P. Kelly, Jim Elliott, Mrs. James.

P. W. A. OFFICERS ENTERTAINED AT THE HOME OF MRS. FILGO

The old officers of the Woman's Alliance of the First Baptist church and the division leaders of the past year entertained the ladies of the church with a delightful informal reception Monday afternoon, honoring the newly elected officers and leaders. The hospitable home of Mrs. G. W. Filgo was gay with Christmas decorations of mistletoe and holly with scarlet berries, and here the hostesses received their guests. The honorees met at the home of Mrs. R. C Smith and went in a body to the Filgo home, where they were received by the old officers in informal line. Conversation was in order and a delightful musical program was furnished by Miss Katherine Cook. Punch was dispensed during the afternoon by Miss Mary Brown and Mrs. Priddy and a salad course was served in the dining room. A short order of toasts and short addresses was instituted, Mrs. R. P. Watts offering a toast to the old officers, and Mrs F. C Barron toasting the new officers. Rev R. C. Miller made an interesting talk, which was helpful and much enjoyed The year's work was thus started in a manner most auspicious

The retiring Alliance president, Mrs. W H. Davis was presented with a large cluster of carnations by the newly elected president, Mrs. R C Smith During the afternoon the new leaders withdrew from the reception rooms and drew their division numbers and a list of the leaders in the order of their divisions number follows: Mesdames Barnard, Basford, Lawler, Maples, George Anderson, E. H. Brown, C. W. Rountree, Johnston, A. Drake, W. H. Cousins and Ben Bell. The new officers, honorees on this occasion were: Mesdames R. C. Smith, R. P. Watts, Eichenberger, I. A. Farris, Ashmore, Fred Barron, J B. Jones and R. E Farmer. Y. W. A leader, Mrs. R C. Miller, Girls Auxiliary, Mrs W N. Barringer, Royal Ambassadors, Mrs. McGinnis, Sunbeams, Mrs R. B. Sayton. A leader has been provided for every department of activity in the church

SOCIAL CALENDAR FOR THE COMING WEEK.

Monday, Dec. 28—Annual Christmas dance and reception at Elks Club The Entre Nous Club will entertain at the home of Misses Ethel and Mabel Sands.

Tuesday, Dec 29 A meeting of the Art Literature Club with Mrs Harry Robertson B. O B.'s will meet with Miss Laura Hall.

Wednesday, Dec 30—The Rowena Circle will meet with Mrs. Joseph South, 1513 Tenth street. Old Maids' Christmas tree at home of Miss Agnes Reid. Merry Wives will have their Christmas grab bag at home of Mrs C F Priebe, 1203 Lamar. The New Century Club will meet with Mrs J. W. Lee.

Thursday, Dec 31—Informal dance at J. A Kemp home Mrs. Bernard Martin will be hostess to the Sew So Club. Mrs Sherrod will entertain the Thursday Bridge. Open meeting of New Century Club at home of Mrs. Addickes.

Friday, New Year's Day—Miss Alice Burnside will be hostess in the evening. All day meeting of Progressive Crochet Club with Mrs W. A. Boone. Mesdames G E Friberg and E V. Friberg hostess to annual grab bag of New Idea Club at home of Mrs. E. V. Friberg.

Saturday, Jan 2—Meeting of the D. A. R with Mrs. O T. Maer as hostess.

MOVING PICTURE PARTY BY MRS. DANFORTH SATURDAY

Mrs W P Danforth entertained a few friends Saturday afternoon with a party for the moving picture theatres, the affair being a compliment to the hostess' sister, Miss Statt of Dallas. Several of the theatres were visited and the informal occasion proved very enjoyable. Those included were Mesdames Joline, Woods, Saouter of Dallas, Oberstein, Walter Priddy, Miss Statt and the hostess, Mrs Danforth.

CHRISTMAS DANCE OF ELKS LODGE TOMORROW EVENING

The annual Christmas ball and reception by the local lodge of Elks will be held Monday evening at the lodge rooms and is being looked forward to with pleasurable anticipation by the 350 to whom invitations have been issued. Plans have ben made for the usual formal occasion which has always been such a pleasing feature of the holidays in the past.

MEETING OF D. A. R. FOR NEXT SATURDAY ANNOUNCED

The local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution will meet next Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs O. E. Maer. The roll call is to be answered with patriotic quotations. Miss Minnie Young has been chosen as leader for the meeting.

BROTHERHOOD OF YEOMEN ENJOYS CHRISTMAS TREE

The members of the Brotherhood of American Yeomen and their families and friends attended a Christmas tree in the eYomen hall Thursday evening The tree was decorated in holly and Christmas adornments, adding much to its attractiveness Each one present received a gift from Santa Claus and each child received a substantial portion of candy, nuts and fruit. Before the gifts were distributed a very pleasant program was rendered, as follows: Song, "Sleep Little Babe" eight little girl; recitation by Eldin Hudson; recitation by Luther Deatherage, quartette, "Christmas Bells," Messrs. Robertson, Dunaway, Maricle and South; reading, "A Voice From the Far, Far Country," Miss Ora Carlton; recitation Johnny Owens; recitation, Ilene Dunaway; recitation, Mabel Hudson; serpentine dance, Miss Pearl Owens; song eight little boys.

CHRISTMAS REUNION IS HELD AT HUGGINS HOME

Mrs. J. H. Huggins and daughter Lucy, entertained with a family dinner Christmas Day The following were present: W. H. Huggins, Vernon; S. H. Huggins, Amarillo; T. H. Huggins and family, Childress; Joe Huggins, Childress; J. R. Huggins Abilene; R. R. Huggins, Wichita Falls; and Dr and Mrs. Mackellar, Loveland, Okla.

AT THE THEATERS

"TREY O' HEARTS" NO. 14 AT MAJESTIC WEDNESDAY

Towards the close of the same day which witnessed the affair of the flooded mine, a solitary motorist may be observed slowly approaching the mountain village of Mesquite, in a motor car drawn by two horses. The solitary motorist is none other than Seneca Trine

Repairing to the Mountain House, Mesquite's one hotel, Mr. Trine finds there his two aides—Marrophat and Jimmy Seneca's gloom is changed to joy when he is informed of Marrophat's brilliant coup of the abandoned mine. Trine has them make him comfortable for the night. In the act of bidding him good night, Marrophat, feeling in his pocket for a match, brings forth a trey o' hearts. Trine, in high good humor, signifies that all that is ended. Marrophat carelessly sails the card out of the open window It falls in the dust of the road.

In the course of the night, Judith, Rose, Alan and Barcus are to be seen camping by the trailside. Peace has been patched up between the sisters, though Rose is still covertly suspicious of Judith's attitude in respect to Alan. Judith, divining this, starts up a flirtation with Barcus .

Waking at an early hour, the party set out for Mesquite, reaching that village while the shadows are still long. As they approach, Rose utters a cry of terror. She points down to the trey o hearts With this warning, Alan calls Barcus and Judith from the entrance to the hotel; the discovery of the stalled motor car confirms their apprehensions. They promptly set about finding some way out of town Barcus unearths two motor cycles. The party sets, out Barcus with Judith riding behind gets under way a little ahead of the machine which Alan rides with Rose

The noise of the motors wakens Seneca Trine. He wheels his chair to the window in time to see Alan and Rose tearing off in a cloud of dust. Marrophat and Jimmy stagger sleepily into Trine's presence. His information drives them out quickly enough in search of some conveyance in which to pursue They find nothing until, after some time, a gentleman of the countryside drives into town in his 80 horse power racer. In spite of the long lead Alan, et al., have gained, the racing car is quickly at their heels. After something like an hour of furious racing, Barcus' motor cycle develops trouble and comes to a stop. This happens when he has, perhaps, a hundred yard lead of Alan and Rose; to avoid running Judith down, Alan steers his cycle too close to the outer edge of the road. It shoots over the edge and down the 90 foot declivity. They roll to the bottom and escape unhurt, but for bruises and scratches

Barcus, when he has joined Rose and Alan, with Judith at the bottom points out that the accident may afford them a way of escape. They accordingly strike out afoot.

Suspecting that they have been tricked, Marrophat and Jimmy halt the racing car utnil a chance favors them with a glimpse of their quarry toiling up the canyon. Rough going compels them to abandon the car and continue the pursuit afoot.

The discovery that they are closely pursued comes to the fugitives simultaneously with the discovery that the canyon ends abruptly in a steep, rocky cliff. Alan finds two lengths of rope. Barcus and Rose are hitched together with one of these and start the ascent. Alan and Judith follow, tied to one another. Barcus and Rose mount without mishap. When Alan is near the top, however, Judith, below him, loses her foothold and plunges out over the abyss. Alan falls sprawling; his legs are well out over the ledge while he grasps in vain for a hand hold. Judith appreciating his peril, whips a knife out and deliberately severs the rope. She falls about fifty feet and lands on a shelving bank of a shale.

Alan, relieved of her weight crawls back on the ledge For a time he lies there, sick with the vision he has of Judith dashed to her death. Rose and Barcus witness the accident from above Barcus discovers a hydraulic mining outfit at some distance There is a man in charge of it He offers Barcus rope and tackle. They return to the cliff.

When Alan recovers, he looks down and sees Judith safe. He effects the rescue—is drawn to safety with Judith in his arms

As the two gain the top of the cliff Rose catches sight of Marrophat's car toiling upward. Thus warned, the party run for the hydraulic noxzle directly on the machine; Alan turns on the cock The stream hits the car like a cannon ball, carries it back several feet and over the edge of the cliff. Exit Marrophat and Jimmy for good.

"GETTING TO THE BALL GAME" AT THE GEM MONDAY

Arthur Housman is featured in an Edison comedy, "Getting to the Ball Game"

Meekley was a real baseball fan, but in spite of all his efforts to interest his wife, sh stolidly refused to become enthusiastic and furthermore, forbade him to attend the games. His friends joked him about it and he took it as good naturedly as possible, until one day three of his friends arrived with the news that they had a box reserved for the game and Meekley decided to disregard his wife's wishes and go anyway.

Making an excuse to his wife, he started for New York and every obstacle imaginable delayed him. First, the engine of his auto gave out and to his disgust, Meekley discovered that his supply of gasoline was exhausted He finally secured a tow into a garage where he replenished his stock and continued his way to the game Suddenly, he had a blow out and it was a case of "get out and get under" with a vengeance and when the job was finished and he was again on his way, he was suddenly confronted with a sign which showed him that he was on the wrong road In the meantime, his friends were enjoying the game. At last Meekley arrived, but only in time to see the very last play Disgusted, he returned home and after a desperate effort to explain matters to his wife, he broke down and confessed the whole thing and was forgiven as he had not really seen the game

"THE MYSTERIOUS ROSE" AT LYDIA MARGARET MONDAY

It was two roses, one crushed and faded and held fast between cold fingers, the other rather fresh, lying on the floor where it had accidentally fallen which gave Phil Kelley, the famous edtective, the first clue to the solution of the startling and altogether baffling murer in the district attorney's home which led him into fearful dangers, to the haunt of the most notorious girl crook in the country an dto a final smashing victory. But who besides Phil Kelley would have thought of considering these two simples, inconspicuous roses in the light of a clue; and who, besides Phil Kelley, would have had the nerve to venture into the den of toughs, thieves, cut-throats—a den right in the heart of our big city. And yet, above all the personal qualifications, such as bravery and super cleverness of deduction, which made Phil Kelley such a terror to the criminal towered the "humanness" in him Kelley understood, with a thoroughness born of deep study and long experience, the methods of detection; but, he also understood the heart of a person That is what makes Kelley, as portrayed by Francis Ford one of the most interesting and likable fellows ever met on the scren.

"The Mysterious Rose" is one of the series of detective dramas that are being produced by Mr. Ford and Miss Cunard. Also, it is, you will agree, one of the most exciting and stirring detective plays that this notable pair of artists have produced so far With Miss Cunard in the role of "My Lady Raffles" and Mr Ford playing Phil Kelley the spectator is carried along, from the first moment the picture is flashed upon the screen until the finish

"MOTHER" AT THE EMPRESS THEATRE MONDAY

Dana Dunn makes her first appearance in motion pictures in this heart interest story

The picture opens with a view of the sewing room in the Wetherill home. Ardath Wetherill is working and her younger sister, Leonora, is chiefly engaged in conversation William Howard Wetherill, eldest son, has married a stage person who is squeezing from him every dollar that may be exacted Walter Thompson Wetherill, the next brother has without the knowledge of any one concerned, become engaged to Elizabeth Terhune, siste rof the wife who led the elder brother from the dear old home. The family has a small estate, jointly handled by Mother Wetherill and John Chase, an elderly lawyer

James Bingham Wetherill and John Walton Wetherill, twins, make up the family Harry Lake, a young man of high type, olves Ardath Ardath tries to turn him over to her younger sister, not that she loves Lake any less but that she loves the sister more There is a humorous tangle over which girl Lake is to marry He has kept his faith to the older girl but the mother had been led to believe that when Lake asks for a personal interview he does it to ask for the hand of Leonora

What Lake really wants is to tell her that her eldest son, who has been employed by the bank of which Lake's father is head, had embezzeld $10,000 to keep up the whims of the wife and that he has brought a note wit hthe mother's forged endorsement to the firm to keep himself out of jail The mother rises to the situation She tells Lake that the signature is hers, fights the family lawyer over the proposition of making good on the declaration, irrespective of the fact that it threatens absolute poverty.

She ultimately gets the girls to consent to a retrenchment program She sustains the family honor effectually, shows her mother love and engages herself with the task of getting rid of the possible daughter-in-law, who threatens to come into the circle There is where Elizabeth Terhune comes into the story.

The final scene shows the mother putting the two boys to bed Master James and John Wetherill read a dime novel until they hear her footsteps Then they switch to the Bible and hide the novel The home scene is perfectly familiar It includes the return of the wayward older boys, which gives the mother back her entire flock an dleaves her watching a brood that is her only love and care

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CANNOT BENEFIT FARMER NOW

Crop Is Out of Hands of Producer, He Says, and Efforts To Help Have Failed

Special to The Times

Fort Worth, Texas, Dec 26—Peter Radford, National lecturer of the Farmers Union has given out an interview on the $135,000,000 cotton holding plan, presenting the farmers viewpoint Mr Radford wants to know what has become of the money and invites the co-operation of the business interests of the nation in warehousing and financing the cotton crops of the future

"The government officially estimates the 1914 cotton crop at 15,969,000 bales This is the largest production in the history of the cotton industry," said Mr Radford "The 1911 crop held the record to the present year with a production of 15,690,701 bales I estimate we have at least two million bales in the field, much of it deserted by the discouraged farmer and will probably never be gathered The 1914 crop also ranks among the largest in production per area, averaging 208 pounds per acre and reaches the low water mark in price The price officially estimated for the 1914 crop is six cents per pound against an average price of twelve cents per pound in 1913 and a production of 182 pounds per acre.

Value of 1914 Crop.

"The value of the 1914 crop is six cents less per pound or $480,000,000 less than the value of last year crop This is a greater financial blow to the South than the freeing of the slaves and it has sent millions of Southern farmers and their families staggering down the thoroughfares of poverty, but the South is brave and can meet adversity When the war was over we beat our swords into plow shares and we have the courage and ability to transform a calamity into a blessing

"The Farmers' Union asked Congress to meet the emergency by lending money on cotton so as to enable poor farmers to hold their crop, but the request was rejected or rather modified by the government agreeing to join with bankers in providing a fund of $135,000,000 for lending on cotton The anti trust law had a special construction placed upon it the patriotism of bankers was appealed to and headlines full of hope were flashed across the columns of the leading newspapers of the nation for a few months, but where is the money? No farmer has ever seen a dollar of it There is nothing quite so destructive to those in distress as a false hope and if this movement which has been so persistently heralded to the world has failed, we are entitled to know it

"I want to call attention to the fact that the farmer—the owner of the property involved—was never consulted in the transaction The story was told him as children are told the story of Arabian Nights and the bedtime story of the rainbow with the pot of gold and it seems to be about the same sort of literature The farmers were never taken into the confidence or the councils of the business men and the government officials engaged in the transaction We do not know why

Out of Producers Hands.

"It is perhaps sufficient to say the business movement having for its component parts the most powerful forces on the American continent made an honest and strenuous effort to help the farmer and failed and the farmers of the South are now drinking the bitter dregs of that failure Approximately three-fourths of the cotton crop is now out of the hands of the producer and the poor farmer who most needed the money has already squared accounts and has begun the struggle to overcome the deficit that has taken school books from his children, shoes off his wife and threatens the shelter of his family and it is to his permanent relief that the government and the business men of the nation should now turn their attention

"There must be comprehensive plans adopted for financing and warehousing the cotton crops of the future and more nearly co-ordinating production with consumption and a system of rural credits and co-operative business methods that will give the farmers cheap money It cannot be accomplished by interviews, resolutions and speeches It takes capital farm products, co-operation and legislation and all these economic elements are available and need only a masterhand to arrange them

"The problem has three factors the farmers, the business men and the government, and if all three elements will unite we can easily work out plans for relief and the organized farmers of America are ready to do their share."

LAKE WICHITA FISHING IS REPORTED EXCELLENT

Good fishing at Lake Wichita was reported last week some good catches of croppie being made Most of the croppie caught were of an unusually large size. The cool weather does not seem to affect fishing so long as the sun is shining Several fishermen are reported to have made good catches yesterday

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LOOK FOR FIELD'S EXTENSION

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That the Northwest Texas oil and gas fields extend south and west through Archer, Hardeman and Wilbarger counties is the theory of a United States geological survey corps which is now at work in Hardeman county, which also believes that the Northwest Texas field is, generally speaking, a continuation of the Mid Continent field of Kansas and Oklahoma. A number of wildcat wells have been drilled in Hardeman and Wilbarger counties in an effort to find extensions of the sands, but without any success as yet

"Quanah is one of the several localities in the Red River beds country of Oklahoma and Texas, which are being examined with a view of ascertaining its mineral possibilities," recently wrote George Otis Smith, director of the geological survey to Representative John H Stephens

"In Oklahoma the area thus covered by structural reconnaissance explorations is considerable larger than it is at present possible to examine in Texas, on account of the co-operation of the State geological survey of Oklahoma, which is bearing half of the cost of the work In the older of the formations of Texas, a few areas only of the red beds will have been examined with special attention to structural details Topographic base maps, such as are needed for oil and gas structure studies, are lacking for this area

"In the costal plain region of your State general geological reconnaisance work, with preparation of reports describing the classification and distribution of the geological formations and bearing in particular upon the underground water supplies, are in progress. In addition to this general work in that region it is planned to make some examinations from the oil and gas standpoint, of the structure in that part of East Texas lying west of the Caddo-Shreveport district of Louisiana. Efforts will be made either to trace into East Texas some of the favorable structures examined in Louisiana, or to locate points where similar favorable geological conditions are present in Texas. The oil and gas examinations will necessarily be very limited in area on account of the difficult character and the high cost of the work but the examinations will be carried on as far as the funds will permit

"Quanah was chosen one of the points in Northwest Texas for examination partly on account of its position farther northwestward in the red beds region that the discovery of the Oklahoma Texas region and partly on account of its accessibility It is not certain that commercial pools of oil and gas are present so far to the northwest in the red beds basin but it is felt that the westward movement of the oil pool discoveries and so of the wildcat skirmish line is destined to lead to the exploration by the drill of the upper beds of the Permain and even of the Tdias if the results of the border drilling are sufficiently promising The deadness now prevailing in the oil industry is but temporary and is bound to be followed by renewed vigor of activity"

CANADIAN TROOPS AWAIT CALL TO ACTIVE SERVICE

Have Been Reorganized Since Reaching England—Expect To Be Sent To Egypt

By Associated Press

Salisbury England, Dec —Canadian troops encamped at Salisbury Plain have had a rough experience since they landed in England It has rained nearly every day since the Canadians entered into camp here and the flat grounds are a sea of mud

All branches of the service have been greatly handicapped by the mud and rain Drill has been very trying However, the Canadian organizations are showing the best of spirit and patiently undergoing the training necessary to qualify them for service at the front."

A complete reorganization of the Canadian troops is taking place to make them uniform with the British army. Instead of having each company act as a separate unit, two companies are combined, one captain acting as the senior officer, the other as his assistant, and each lieutenant commanding one of the four platoons with about sixty men each This plan makes it possible for the senior captain to be relieved of all routine duties so he can give his time to the broader administrative and military problems The Canadians have taken very kindly to the change the lieutenants being especially fond of the plan as it places greater responsibility and independence upon them than the old single company system

Rumors are circulated in camp almost daily that the Canadian contingent will be sent to Egypt as soon as it is whipped into shape The Canadians are quite willing to go anywhere where there is fighting As much excitement is promised in Egypt the Canadians are anxious to go there hoping to be transferred later to France so they can have a chance at the Germans

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BURDENS OF WAR FALLING HEAVILY ON SWITZERLAND

Cost of Keeping Army Mobilized Is Large—Hotel Business Is Now at Standstill

By Associated Press

Zurich, Dec —Switzerland's lot since the war began has been a hard one The cost of maintaining the army in a state of mobilization is estimated at fully $400,000 a day The loss to the hotel keepers in three months is figured at $25,000,000

The hotel keepers probably suffer more than any other class especially as they had lean years in 1912 and 1913 owing to bad weather They had looked forward to 1914 as likely to make up all deficits, the weather from the beginning of the summer was excellent and the rush of tourists in June and early July was unprecedented

The few tourists who remained after the warcloud appeared were frightened away by the panic among the Swiss bankers, which caused the refusal of all letters of credit and even foreign money

At present many of the big hotels are closed and the number of guests in those which remain open is almost negligible Nor is there much likelihood of any improvement in conditions in time for the winter spotrs season

As a matter of fact living conditions in Switzerland have changed very little There is a shortage of coal and petrol but food prices have probably increased not much more than ten per cent.

COTTON FOR PRUSSIA SHIPPED FROM HOUSTON

By Associated Press.

Houston, Texas, Dec 26—A cotton shipment unique in the history of the staple started from Houston last week, when 4,000 bales began the long journey to Vladivostok, from which port it will be transshipped to interior Russian points A steamship company contracted to carry the shipment for $1 60 per hundred pounds from Houston to Vladivostok via the Panama Canal and the Pacific, the Baltic Sea at present not being much of a thoroughfare because of the war and the Arctic route, by which Archangel may be reached, is open only a few months in the year and those months would hafe passed before the cotton could reach there

MOTHER: Monday

In this advanced age in the rush and flurry of the busy life would we forget the gentle, patient and ever forgiving MOTHER? In different ways we may be seperated from her, but we all have some very sweet memories of the time when she was our only idol, and in this picture there will be scenes that will possibly remind you of some of those very things that are now held as sacred things of memory. We felt that we should give our patrons something in way of treat during the holidays that would in a measure show our appreciation of the liberal patronage that we have received from the people of our city and surrounding country, and in looking over the large list of fine productions our eyes and minds could not get away from this very fine picture put out by Wm. A. Brady Picture Co., and one of the very best, starring the great stage favorite Emma Dunn who was so ideal in the visualization of MOTHER on the current stage. In giving our patrons the opportunity of seeing this very fine picture we are not making any advance in the price which will be as usual **5c** and **10c**

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SOMETHING ABOUT RUSSIA'S OIL PORT

ANTIQUITY AND TWENTIETH CENTURY MEET AT BATUM ON BLACK SEA

VISTULA RIVER'S IMPORTANCE

National Geographic Society Tells of Stream On Which History Is Being Made

Washington, Dec. 26.—The National Geographic Society today gave out descriptions of the great Russian oil port of Batum, which the Turks recently bombarded and of the Vistula River region, which has been the scene of the great eastern campaign between Russian and Austro-German forces:

"Squatting on a marshy plain with a smell of petroleum a wonderful harbor and a strong naval fortress Batum, recently bombarded by Turkish warships, is the great naptha port of Russia, a sea outlet for the oil fields of Baku, and the foremost city upon the eastern shore of the Black Sea. It is a place of 40,000 inhabitants, alive with the snap of western business and filled with the color of eastern peoples. It has just three things to please the fancy; Alexander Park, on Lake Nuire, at its eastern boundary; a cathedral completed in 1906, and a straight, palm fringed boulevard along the sea.

"Batum is about eight miles from the Turkish irontier in Asia Minor Russia conquered it from Turkey and the Congress of Berlin, in 1878, confirmed the conquest In awarding Batum to Russia it was stipulated that the port should not be made into a naval base, but the city is now a strongly fortified station. In 1911 following the collapse of the ancient quay, extensive harbor works were undertaken, with the result that Batum has been made one of the safest, best equipped harbors on the Black Sea.

Both Ancient and Modern.

"The city is very ancient in location and very recent in importance It is mentioned, under various names from early antiquity. The Russians have been the first to endeavor to launch it upon a career. Though still highly unsuccessful from a sanitary standpoint, it has a model modern city's ground plan, the streets being the shortest ways between two points and most of the city squares having sharp right angles. Modern conveniences, however, have been lost sight of in the city's stride for business.

"A pipe line and a railway made Batum The pipe line is laid down from Baku, and it brings to the port its principal export oil. The railway connects Batum with the main Transcaucasian line; through Tiflis and with Baku. Besides petroleum and its by products, the city ships liquorice, manganese, silk cocoons and wool. It imports tin and machinery Greeks, the shrewd dealers in money and goods in the near east, have control of much of the business.

"Subtropical vegetation sets off the city. A recognizable tea and considerable bamboo are grown in a nearby valley. Lemon and orange trees grow out of doors. While mild and warm, the weather is very erratic The annual rainfall is high—ninety inches—and falls mostly in August and September Sometimes sixteen inches of rain bursts upon the city within forty-eight hours Batum is in its second or possibly, third childhood, with only an occasional well appointed house, but with a commerce of around $30,000,000 a year, and with the same alertness of air which business success has brought to favored western cities.

The Vistula River.

"The Vistula River, one of the mightiest streams flowing toward the north, sweeps in an irregular course through three empires, Austria, Russia and Germany. It serves as frontier line between Austria and Germany, between Austria and Russia and for a shorter distance, between Russia and Germany. Upon its bank lie the cities of Cracow, Warsaw, Modlin, Plock, Thorn, Kulm, Graudenz Marienburg and the Baltic port of Danzig.

"The Vistula rises in Austrian Silesia and takes a circuious course of 650 miles to the sea. Its source is on the northern slopes of the Western Beskiden, a spur range of the Carpathians. The upper reaches of the river run through a narrow, wooded valley, narrowing in places to a picturesque gorge, with tree hung sides and throughout its highland way is surrounded by as wild scenery as can be found within the United States.

"Just before reaching Cracow, the Vistula leaves the mountains, and from this Galician city seaward it is navigable for smaller boats. Its direction from Cracow is away from its mouth, and it penetrates deep into the plains of Russian Poland before it turns, not far from Warsaw back to German lands. Its banks through the high Polish plateau in the south and in the neighborhood of Warsaw are high bluffs, often sharp and faced with loosely held earth erosions and altogether difficult of passage between bank and bank. From Warsaw on it is navigable for larger river craft.

Its Commercial Importance.

"The plain through which the river passes from Warsaw to the Prussian boundary smooths away into swelling lowlands, the river course becomes tricky and wandering, while the sandy banks are forever sliding into the water. The Vistula enters Prussia ten miles above Thorn, the strong Prussian frontier fortress. Beyond this point it cuts through the Prussian ridge, enters low country again where its shifting banks give considerable trouble to navigation The Prussian government has expended large sums of money in the endeavor to win a mastery of the river and to keep it serviceable as a great trade artery. The Vistula has a very heavy traffic of lumber, grains and other farm productions.

"Before reaching the North Sea at Danzig, it divides into two arms, that on the west retaining the name, Vistula. Thick sheet ice binds the river at Warsaw, as a general thing, from about Christmas time to the first of March. It is visited by periodical floods of powerful headway in spring and in mid-summer. The Vistula forms one of the most important commercial avenues in Russian Poland, in addition to its important Prussian traffic. It is connected by canal with the German River Netze and through it with the Oder. It has a drainage basin of 74,000 square miles in area, and receives the rivers of recent war fame, the San, the Bug, the Pilica, Bzura and the Wieprz as tributaries."

City of Czestochowa.

The National Geographic Society gives also the following description of Czestochowa, which has figured during the past few days in the campaign in Poland:

"Czestochowa, called by the Germans Czentochau, a city in Russian Poland, is one of the foremost Meccas of the pilgrimage going Slavonians More than western Christians of whatever creed go to Jerusalem more than Roman Catholic go to Rome or Protestants to Eisenach and Geneva, so the Slavonians in particular, the Russians take up the pilgrim's staff and wander to their holy places These people of the north are akin to the people of India in that force of their religion which drives them from their homes on religious pilgrimage.

"Famed throughout Russia, Poland and among the southern Slavonians, is the little city of Czestochowa wherein is the shrine of the wonder working Black Madonna. Many a son and daughter of the dreary, government ridden Steppes and of downtrodden Poland feels that he or she left a torn and harried spirit or some physical infirmity before the magic of this painting.

"Czestochowa is gray in age and gray in stirring history. It is a city on the southwestern Polish plateau some 800 feet above sea level of 72,000 inhabitants, capital of a county of the same name in the Russian Polish government of Piotrkow, and it is situated about 12 miles from the German frontier at Lower Silesia Czestochowa lies on the left bank of the Warta, northwest of Cracow and is an important station on the Warsaw-Cracow railway. It is 143 miles southwest of Warsaw.

No Commercial Importance.

"Commercially, the city is of no importance. Its business is mostly with the pilgrims, of whom more than 100,000 come to its shrine every year There are a dozen or more factories in the place, manufacturing cotton and woolen stuffs, paper, leather and beer. More important is a publishing house which does a brisk business with the visitors in religious writings and sacred pictures. The sale of amulets, warding charms against each particular evil and against all evil in general, is a significant part of the city's trade.

"The Black Madonna, sacred mystery picture, the source of 'Black Madonna worship' among the Poles and Rusians, is, in itself and in its history, one of the most absorbing of paintings. It hangs in a chapel over the altar, veiled, except at the chief service twice each day when it is shown. It is a picture of the Virgin and Child on cypress wood, black brown with age, crowned with purest gold and lavishly adorned with a fortune of costly jewels. According to tradition, it was painted by St. Luke; came into the possession of St Helena; passed an adventuresome, beneficent time until brought by Prince Leo of Calicia; and was finally placed in the Pauline Monastery at Czestochowa to protect it from the Tartars in 1382."

ATHLETICS AT ENGLISH COLLEGES AT STANDSTILL

Men Have Many Varieties of Sport, But War Prevents Any Match Games

By Associated Press.

Cambridge, England, Dec. 25.—Although there probably will be no official college sports at either Oxford or Cambridge until after the war, the men in college still find time for a certain amount of athletic amusement, particularly at football; soccer, golf, and boxing. There is scarcely any rowing, although the coaches are giving a little preliminary training to some of the veterans.

Rugby football has been given a sort of official sanction at Cambridge through the presentation of a cup which is being competed for by teams from the four companies of the University Military Training Corps. At Oxford there have been several football matches between scrub varsity teams and teams from some of the nearby public schools.

Soccer football is a favorite with the military men, who consider it a valuable building up exercise for the varsity recruits. Matches are frequently played at both Oxford and Cambridge, although there will be no matches between the two universities.

The Oxford Freshmen's Lawn Tennis Singles and the Oxford Handicap Tennis Tournament have been decided, with "overseas" players taking all the honors. The Frenchmen's singles were won by Hopkins, an Australian, with Clayson, an American, as the runner-up. The handicap tournament went to Rissik, a South African.

PARIS "GETTING BY" IN SPITE OF WAR

VERY, VERY DIFFERENT, HOWEVER FROM OLD DAYS IN CAPITAL

TAXICABS HAVE DISAPPEARED

Horse Drawn Vehicles Replace Them —Women Shine Shoes and Do It Badly

By Associated Press

Paris, Dec. 26.—Horse drawn cabs have returned to the streets with the progress of the war, but the outfits and their drivers are not as picturesque as they were in their heyday before the motor car came. The drivers are quieter now; they no longer crack their whips loudly, and they accept five-cent gratitudes with humble thanks.

All the younger taxicab drivers have disappeared, having been called to their places in the army. Many of them have been put into the supply columns, which perform much excellent and sometimes dangerous service in bringing up munitions and food to the men in the trenches. Those taxicabs still in the city are driven by the older men and by amateur chauffeurs, who, through the dislocation of business in some professions, have been thrown out of employment. One may learn from his chauffeur that in normal times he is a baritone of some renown at a leading opear house, or maybe a teacher of languages, or perhaps a professor of fencing.

Sing National Anthems.

The Russian, British, Belgian and French national anthems, from almost the sole items in the repertory of the itinerant singers who wander from court yard to court yard of the Parisian apartment houses. Every window opens when the group, generally composed of a quartet, sometimes of quite passable voices, starts its music, and sometimes the occupants of the apartments, epecially in the working class quarters, join in the singing. Other parties of musicians take their stand on the corners of streets where they sing topical songs of the heroism of the allied soldiers. The interest of the populace in these ballads is enormous, for nearly every one of the bystanders has a brother, son, father or other relative at the front, and all buy, at the price of two cents, copies of the words and often join in the refrain.

The flower girls with their "sweet violets" direct from the Riviera, which have never looked fresher nor more dainty, appear to have increased in number, perhaps because they are more noticeable owing to the smaller crowds of pedestrians in the streets.

A "shine," always difficult to obtain in France, is next to impossible at this period. The ancient bootblacks, sometimes women, leisurely wipe off some of the mud and then lay on a covering of the poorest kind of blacking, after which the polishing brush and cloth are applied without energy, leaving the footwear in a state of miserable dullness, at a charge in excess of that paid in any city of the United States.

They All Live, Somehow.

"Harlequins" are sought for at the central market by ever-increasing numbers of the outcasts of Paris every morning at an early hour. The "harlequins" are composed of what is left from the meals in the leading restaurants, and the name is derived from the variagated assortment of small pieces of meat, poultry and delicacies set out on plates and sold at prices ranging from two to five cents.

The adoption by the French of the fashion of pipe smoking and the enrollment of most of the male population in the army have dealt a hard blow at the gatherer of cigarette ends and cigar stumps, who for years was such a well known figure about the terraces of the boulevard cafes The amount of discarded mites of tobacco he picks up has generally decreased, and the newspaper boys who look to him to sell them for two cents a package of the dried and rolled-up refuse, of which they were the chief purchasers, now obtain a smaller quantity for their money

Paris No Longer To Be Considered As Prototype Of The Real France

Washington, Dec. 25.—France, the wealthy, enlightened, contented garden land, where want was almost unknown and waste was rare; the strong, thrifty art loving France of just before the war, as described with intimate detail and contrasted with the United States, its great sister republic, by Major General A. W. Greely, United States army, forms the subject of a statement prepared by the National Geographic Society. It says:

"Paris can no longer be looked upon as France. The repository and guardian of art treasures which in extent, variety and beauty are unsurpassed; enriched with historical material of priceless value; adorned by artistic monuments and noble structures, beautified by broad streets and perfect parks; the center of culture for the nation; the fashion dictator for the world; the seat of government and so of power; scarcely surpassed elsewhere as a financial center—Paris is at once the envy and admiration of France, as indeed of the world. Still, it is not France.

France is Different.

"The real France is a country of industry, of scientific application, of *foresight and comfort*, and of rich resources. General prosperity is best shown by the caisses d'epargne (petty banks) which, numbering 2,400, receive only limited sums from its clientele—wage earners, petty tradesmen, etc. The depositors annually increase, in 1911 being 21.7 of the population Despite the rising standard of living, the accumulations in these small banks had reached $774,405,000, averaging $19.55 to each man, woman and child in France.

"A recent essay by Dr H. S Williams treats of the savings of the four leading commercial countries. He says: 'France has the lowest wage scale and the highest percentage of savings bank depositors, 34.6. America has by far the highest wage scale and by far the lowest savings bank depositors, 9.9.'

"Vastly beneficial are co-operative operations in agriculture, commerce, trade, insurance and other lines of public utility Rural credit, road systems, and workmen's houses are factors of prosperity and producers of comfort We were wont to pity the down-trodden laborer of Europe in contrast with the free, individual workman at home; yet the French workman enjoys advantages of no mean order over the American as regards unemployment, employe insurance, compensation for injuries, old age pensions, and last, but not least, frugal living through low rents, co-operation and vastly superior market facilities.

Unemployment Problem.

"The United States initiated this year its first concerted movement to solve the serious problem of unemployment 'by bringing the jobless man to the manless job.' France has for years had a central employment bureau, which now numbers 126 well-distributed exchanges. Small individual workshops, fast disappearing with us, increase steadily, though slowly in France, thus indicating the progress of personal prosperity—the best guarantee of its stability of democracy.

"The elimination of religious instruction from the national schools has been pursued to a successful end, though bitterly contested. Of the 5,629,006 pupils in 1909, only two per cent were taught in authorized religious establishments. Primary instruction is obligatory between the ages of seven and thirteen. The announced aims of the public school system are to cultivate patriotism, to instill morality, to teach tolerance, to make French language uniform, to develop accurate observation, and to enlarge spheres of interest. Of the 86 technical schools, no less than 57, covering all branches of modern industry, devote their efforts to grounding their 12,000 pupils in the maintenance of artistic standards, in the perfection of methods, and especially to the training of managers."

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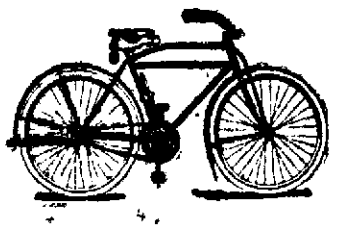

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Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—E. A. Calvin, assistant general manager of the warehouse and co-operative marketing bureau has just returned from a tour of Southeast Texas, where he made addresses to farmers explaining the benefits to be derived from the new warehouse law He says farmers are divided in opinion and he thinks much work by the bureau will be necessary to bring the people to a full understanding of the advantages to be derived from the provisions of the law

NEW STREET LIGHTS PLANNED FOR BROWNSVILLE

By Associated Press

Brownsville, Texas, Dec. 26.—Mayor A. A. Browne of Brownsville, who announced upon assuming the office of mayor that he would devote the salary of the office to improvements in the city, has decided first to install an ornamental street lighting system The water and light department of the city has been authorized to proceed with this work, paying for the material out of the mayor's salary fund.

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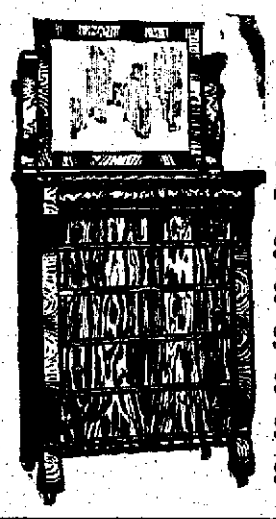

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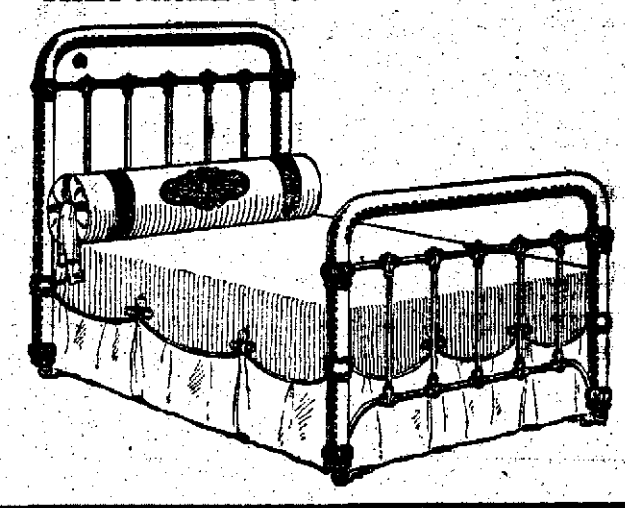

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Members of Department Give Him Handsome Timepiece Christmas

Fire Chief E. L. McClure is the proud owner of a handsome gold watch and chain presented to him as a Christmas gift by the members of the Wichita Falls Fire Department. The watch is a 21 jeweled Waltham. Mr. McClure has the affection of every member of the department and under his leadership the department has reached a high state of effectiveness. Unless there are disastrous fires this week the year's record will show a big reduction in fire losses and a representative of the State fire marshal's office is expected here this week for an inspection with a view of granting a lower key rate of insurance for Wichita Falls.

PROHIBITION CONGRESS AT ATLANTIC CITY

Anti-Saloon League Calls Meeting of Prohibition Forces On Hobson Resolution

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Prohibitionists will hold a five days congress in Atlantic City beginning on July 6, 1915, at which the Sheppard-Hobson resolution pending in Congress for the submission to the states of a constitutional amendment for national prohibition will be considered. This was announced here today by the Anti-Saloon League of America by which the Congress has been called and under whose auspices it will be held. Thousands of delegates are expected to attend and special trains from each state are to be run for the occasion.

The particular time for holding the meeting was selected because it is hoped to impress the thousands of visitors usually at Atlantic City with the strength and enthusiasm back of the sentiment and of the slogan "National Prohibition by 1920." A feature of the Congress will be a "traveling circus" in constant operation where prominent speakers will address the convention and delegates.

TWO HAGENBACK BROTHERS KILLED IN BATTLE

By Associated Press.

St. Louis, Dec. 26.—Word that Lorenz and Henry Hagenback menagerie owners of Germany have been killed in battle was received today by George Dieckmann, president of the St. Louis Zoological Society.

A FRENCH SUBMARINE IS REPORTED SUNK

Italian Press States Vessel Was Attempting To Torpedo Austrian Battleship

By Associated Press.

Paris, Dec. 26.—The Italian press states, according to advices to the Matin, that a French submarine belonging to the fleet of Vice Admiral Boue de Lapeyrere has been sunk while attempting to torpedo Austrian battleships in the Austrian naval base of Pola. The crew, it is stated, were rescued and taken prisoners.

REPRESENTATIONS BY WHITLOCK UNOFFICIAL

State Department Has Authorized No Attempt To Dissuade Germany From Levy

By Associated Press.

Washington, Dec. 26.—Secretary Bryan reiterated today that if Brand Whitlock, American ambassador to Belgium had taken any action to dissuade the German military authorities from collecting a war levy on Brussels he had been acting entirely in an unofficial capacity and without any instructions from the American government. The secretary said he had no information that Mr. Whitlock had been concerned.

OFFICIALS CHARGED WITH FRAUDS AT ELECTION

Mayor, District Judge and Sheriff at Terre Haute Among the 65 Arrested

By Associated Press.

Indianapolis, Dec. 26.—Charged in federal indictments of attempts to corrupt the election of November 3 in Terre Haute, Don M. Roberts, mayor of Terre Haute and an announced candidate for the democratic nomination for governor in 1916, was taken in custody at Terre Haute. Roberts admitted he and Judge Eli H. Redman of Vigo circuit court had been arrested. Neither furnished bond late today. Dennis Shea, sheriff, who surrendered voluntarily today announced he had been able to furnish bond. The arrests, nineteen in number, bring the total in custody to 65, forty-six having been arrested last night. Those arrested include county and city officials, election inspectors, barkeepers, a state legislator and a city judge and cab drivers.

Additional Brevities

E. G. Hill, undertaker, office and parlors 900 Scott Ave. Phone 225. Prompt ambulance service. 92 tfc

Dr. Nelson, Moore & Bateman Bldg. Phone 586. 86 tf c

Dr. Bolding, dentist, office 206 Kemp & Kell Bldg. Phone 206. 51 tf c

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Those who wish to learn the latest society dances must see Miss Ussery at once and begin with the new classes. Call Miss Ussery at Westland Hotel. 95 1tp

Church Members

Help pay off the mortgage. Make the church a present of a check from the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club—as a Christmas offering. 95 tfc

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95 1tp 1103 Scott Avenue.

Open meeting of Knights of Pythias Tuesday night, Dec. 29, at 7:30. 95 2tc

Automobiles have been registered as follows: C. S. Bradley, Burkburnett, Buick 1076. J. J. Hardiver, Wichita Falls, Imperial 1077.

Dr. H. A. Waller, dentist, room 207, K. & K. Bldg. Phone 836. 28 tfc

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita Falls Sash and Door Company will be held at Wichita Falls, Texas, Tuesday, Jan. 12th, 1915, at 10 a. m. at the office of Anderson and Patterson, 615 Eighth street, for the purpose of electing a board of directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before them. 91 10tt c

G. D. ANDERSON, Sec.

The Modern Crochet Club will meet in regular session Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Hammond.

It is not expected that there will be much doing in the district court this week on account of the holiday recess. No jury has been called for the week. A special venire is summoned for the first Monday in January when the case of Tom Smith, negro charged with murdering his wife, is set for trial.

Dimes, Nickels and Pennies

that you allow to slip away for useless things will soon grow into a generous sum if you will save them in the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club. 95 tfc

Open meeting Knights of Pythias Tuesday night at 7:30. 95 2tc

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Associated Press News.

Read the latest war news in The Times. We are members of the Associated Press, the biggest news gatherer in the world. Everything of importance that happens, they are the first to get it. You can be up to date on everything if you read The Times. Only 50 cents a month or $1.25 for three months. Phone 167 and give us your order. 83 tf c

Plan To Get Married

at Yuletide. Join the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club and save your money. 95 tfc

Owing to delays in the installation of some of the machinery Ball Bros. Fruit Jar plant will not reopen probably before January 10th. E. B. Ball is expected to arrive from Muncie, Ind., about January 1 and will personally install some of the machinery.

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wichita State Bank will be held in its offices at Wichita Falls, Texas, January 12th, 1915, same being the second Tuesday in said month, at 3 p. m., for the purpose of electing directors and transacting such other business as may come before the meeting. 88 tf c

W. W. GARDNER, Cashier.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Pounds, 2011 Tenth street, were graciously remembered by Santa Claus, Dec. 25, with a ten and a half pound girl.

Roast turkey with cranberry sauce 35c every day until New Year's Eve; under new management; best of everything in the market at the lowest prices; for ladies and gentlemen. Farmers' Cafe. 615 1-2 Indiana avenue. 94 2t c

Ladies you are especially invited to attend the auction sale at Fonville's. Two sales daily 2 and 7 p. m. Come Monday. 95 1tc

Notice to Stockholders.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First State Bank and Trust Company will be held at its place of business in the city of Wichita Falls, Texas, January 12th, 1915, at 3 p. m., same being the second Tuesday in said month, for the purpose of electing directors and the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting. 83-95-101-107.

T. J. TAYLOR, Cashier.

Baby Will Want a Tree

and a lot of other things next Christmas. Make her a member of the Wichita State Bank's Landis Christmas Savings Club and she will be sure to get them. 95 tfc

Open meeting Knights of Pythias Tuesday night, Dec. 29 at 7:30 95 2tc

32 BELOW ZERO AT OGDENBURG, NEW YORK

Barre Vermont Reported 52 Below—December Weather Records Broken

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 26.—New York today experienced the coldest weather of the season, four degrees above zero. The wind blew thirty miles an hour Odgenburg, N. Y., reported 32 degrees below; the lowest temperature in Vermont; 52 below was reported today in Barre. This breaks all December records.

BELOW ZERO NORTH OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

By Associated Press.

Kansas City, Dec. 26.—Extreme cold last night sent the mercury below zero over virtually all the northern half of Missouri and the states north, but south of Kansas City where it was two below at dawn, the temperature was higher. At Springfield, Mo., it was eight below; Oklahoma City experienced an unusually low temperature for that locality, the thermometer reaching eight above.

MILLIONS REQUIRED FOR STATE GOVERNMENT

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—It will cost $15,879,686 to operate the Texas state government for the next two fiscal years according to estimates filed by heads of the various departments with the controller's department a compilation of which was given out today. For the first year this estimate is $8,341,677 and for the second year $7,537,191. This is an increase of $2,897,343 over the amount appropriated by the legislature for the state government for the past two fiscal years. The increase is due largely to appropriations requested for new buildings for educational and eleemosynary institutions.

CONTRACT AWARDED FOR THE TEXAS BUILDING

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—Advices received today by J. T. Bowman, secretary of the Texas Panama-Pacific Exposition commission say that the contract for construction of a Texas building has been awarded and work begun. The building, in mission style is to cost about $20,000.

FURNITURE GIVEN TO GOVERNOR AND WIFE

By Associated Press.

Austin, Texas, Dec. 26.—Governor and Mrs. Colquitt were presented with a Christmas gift of a suite of furniture by state officials and other attaches of the state government.

MANY ENGLISH SOLDIERS ALLOWED TO VISIT HOMES

Are Given Short Leave and Have Time To Make Trip To Aldershot

By Associated Press.

Aldershot, England, Dec. 25.—As the result of recent orders given by Sir John French, the families of regular troops stationed here have been delightfully surprised by visits from relatives direct from the front. These men are given leave from the trenches and most of them elect to spend the time with their families.

Wives of sergeant majors, who despaired of seeing their husbands before the end of the war, have been surprised by the receipt of telegrams from seaports informing them of the home coming. These husbands arrive looking as spick and span as when they marched away to the war for the men are selected from the regiments which have been moved to the rear battle line, to give the soldiers a chance to clean up and receive fresh uniforms. It is expected that later whole units will be given holidays and the soldier in the trenches, according to one officer just returned from the front, has no rosier anticipation than the prospect of an afternoon at a football game followed by the evening at a music hall.

NOVEMBER LUCKY MONTH IN HISTORY OF RUSSIA

By Associated Press.

Petrograd, via London, Dec. 26.—One of the Russian Rifle Brigades—the fourth—has taken in this war thus far more prisoners than the brigade numbered in men at the beginning of the fighting. How many killed and wounded should be added to the complete record of this brigade cannot be stated.

Public feeling in Petrograd is jubilant. The month of November is regarded by superstitious Russians as the national "Lucky month" and news of victory from the armies were expected as a matter of course. Among notable November successes of past years were the Battle of Beresina in 1812, the naval fight at Sinope in 1853 and the taking of Kars and Plevna in 1877.

LEARNED WAR WAS ON ONLY YESTERDAY

By Associated Press.

New York, Dec. 26.—A vessel docked today whose crew did not know there was a war until signaled outside the harbor by a British cruiser; she was a Norwegian barque, the Padang, and left Padang, Sumatra, August 12, with a cargo of coffee. The British cruiser was the first vessel she spoke to during the passage.

For rent, one store building, Maer building, 812 Scott avenue. Be vacant December 1st, 1914. Price $50 per month. See W. N. Maer, care Cravens, Maer & Walker. 66 tf c

Lodge Directory

Wichita Falls Camp No. 12006 M. W. of A. meets every Thursday at 8 p. m., 708 1-2 Seventh street. B. M. Bullard, Consul; E. G. Cook, Clerk.

Brotherhood of American Yeomen—Meets first and third Thursday nights of each month at old I. O. O. F. hall over Cream Bakery, 715 Indiana avenue, at 8:00 p. m. L. C. Robertson, Foreman; H. S. Dunaway, Correspondent.

Wichita Grove No. 1037 Woodman Circle—Meets every Friday at 2:30 at new I. O. O. F. Hall. Mrs. McDowell, Guardian; Mrs. Somers, Clerk.

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FOR RENT—Three large rooms furnished complete for light housekeeping. Phone 723 or 659. 80 tf c

FOR RENT—Two modern unfurnished rooms to couple without children or pets; private front and back entrance. 1512 Fourteenth street. 91 tf

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 1008 Indiana avenue. 82 tc

FOR RENT—Two furnished rooms for housekeeping. 1512 Tenth. Phone 1387. 91 6t p

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms for light houseKeeping. 907 Austin. Phone 134. 93 tf c

FOR RENT—Two nicely furnished light housekeeping rooms. 905 Seventh. 95 3tp

FOR RENT Four furnished rooms for light housekeeping. 502 Travis. 95 3tp

FOR RENT—Four nicely furnished rooms. Reasonable 1311 Burnett. 95 3tp

FOR RENT—One furnished room for light housekeeping. Modern. Phone 1427. 302 6th street. 95 tfc

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping. Close in. Phone 1519, 1110 Scott 95 3tp

FOR RENT—Two unfurnished rooms for light housekeeping Phone 943. 1418 Eighth street 95 3tc

FOR RENT—Two large furnished rooms, 1102 Scott Call after six o'clock except on Sunday 95 3tc

LOST

STOLEN OR LOST—Flying Merkel bicycle Saturday night. Yellow frame and number 468. Reward for its return to Times office.

LOST—Small black purse, containing $9 Reward for return to 1404 Eleventh street 92 3t c

LOST—Bunch of keys—postoffice key, office key, two trunk keys, desk key and shoe hook - Finder return to the Times office and receive reward of $1. 95 2tc

LOST—An oriental hair pin set with green brilliant, somewhere on Tenth street Christmas night Finder please return to Mrs J C A Guest, 1602 Tenth street 95 1tc

HELP WANTED—FEMALE

WANTED—Competent white girl, not less than eighten years, for general house work. Mrs. Mytinger. Phone 344. 93 tf c

WANTED—At once a white woman to cook. Apply 1009 Lamar 95 1tp

BOARD AND ROOMS

BOARD AND ROOMS at 1502 Austin. 92 10tp

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MONEY TO LOAN—Plenty of money to loan on farms and Wichita Falls improved property. Easy terms. F. W. Tibbetts. 17 tfc

FOR RENT

FOR RENT—Horse lot, close in; has good shed and barn and lot very secure Will rent cheap. Phone 172 after 6 p. m 89 tf

FOR RENT—ROOMS

FOR RENT—Two nice office rooms over Rexall Drug Store. Also four-room house with gas, bath and electric lights; on Twelfth street between Scott and Lamar. Phone 949, or call at 1105 Lamar. 79 tf c

REWARD

REWARD—Lost cameo brooch Christmas eve night. Return to Hotel Eldora 95 tfc

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FOR RENT—HOUSES

FOR RENT—Several houses. See R. B. Gorsline. Phone 196. 18 tfc

CHEAP RENT—Four or five-room houses. Phone 1586. 60 tf c

FOR SALE—Five-room house; all modern house; one-half block car line; cement foundation; east front; in best part of city. Price $2,100; $100 cash; balance $18 per month at 8 per cent. J. J. Simon. Room 3, Ward building. Phone 472. 89 tf c

FOR RENT—High grade, modern house, with hot water; close in; on car line; not built to sell. P. S. Tullis. 73 tf c

FOR RENT—Neat cottage; close in; 803 Scott; $20 per month in advance. Phone 489. J. J. Jerkins. 93 8t c

FOR RENT—Four room house; modern; close in. Phone 368 or call 901 Austin. 93 3t c

FOR RENT—Modern four-room house, 1202 Lamar. V. G. Skeen. Phone 1275. 95 tfc

FOR RENT—To responsible party only, modern 5-room house, located on car line at 2306 9th street. Telephone 849 or see W. S. Appling at Pennington's store. 95 3tc

FOR RENT—High grade five-room cottage, hot water, gas, electric lights, large closets, kitchen and butler's pantry, living well water on kitchen porch, cement walks and storm cellar, fruit trees, shade and flowers, cross fenced and chicken houses. Garage with cement floor, and servant's house. Choice residence district, Floral Heights on car line, 2411 9th street. Nat L. Inge, phone 304 or 312. 95 1tc

FOR SALE OR TRADE

FOR SALE OR TRADE—Five-room house, modern; hot and cold water, walks; nicely furnished; near Austin school; $2,500. Four-room house; 406 Bluff street; east front; city water and gas; $1,200. Five-room house; 1408 Bluff street; east front; newly painted and papered; good location; $2,250. Four-room house; 1518 Fifteenth street; all modern; corner lot; south front; walks, barn and fence; $2,250. Four-room house; Floral Heights; on car line; corner lot; $1,500. Five-room house; all modern; Eighth street; Floral Heights; walks, barn, fences, hot and cold water; $2,500. Five-room house; north of river; city water, gas; corner lot; $1,000. Vacant lot, corner of Sixth and Adams street; $750. Pick out what you want, I will trade for anything, just so it is in Wichita Falls. Mack Thomas. Phone 99. Office 608 Eighth street. 48

FOR TRADE—My home, 704 Austin, and 1106 Taylor, for grass land with living water; also automobile for team. H. L. Montgomery. 90 tf c

FOR SALE OR TRADE—By owner, new seven room bungalow; fine location; can make low price and take good lot as part payment. Call phone 1927. 68 tfc

FOR SALE OR TRADE—My horse, phaeton and harness; a bargain. A. P Ferguson. Phone 21. 86 tf c

FOR TRADE—A good auto for vacant lot or house to be moved off of lot. Phone 150. 95 10tc

LIVESTOCK

FOR SALE—One fat cow, one milk cow and a Shetland pony. See Pond at the laundry. 82 tf c

FOR SALE—Brown Jersey; will be fresh in March. Call at 1111 Indiana or phone 1489. 93 6t p

FOR RENT—OFFICES AND STORES

FOR RENT—One store building, Maer building, 812 Scott Avenue. Be vacant Dec. 1st, 1914. Price $50 per month. See W. N. Maer, care Cravens, Maer & Walker. 66 tfc

FOR RENT—After January 1st, garage on Wall street. Call at Simpson's Drug Store. 95 tfc

FOR SALE—MISCELLANEOUS

FOR SALE—Have an unlimited supply of Sudan grass seed; must sell at once; apply quick. Address R. H., care Times. 89 tf db

THE CARTER MINERAL WATER has been used here in the city for several years and is well and favorably known for its healthful and medicinal qualities. Having purchased the Carter Mineral Wells property, am now prepared to furnish the water on short notice, in clean, sterilized vessels. S. A. Haines, Proprietor. Phone 3016-R 15. 74 tf c

FOR SALE—Set of three parlor chairs and handsome dining room set Will sell by the piece or set. 902 Indiana. 87 tfc

FOR SALE—Cheap, three nice gas heaters, good as new. Call Monday, 1104 Indiana. 95 1tp

FOR SALE—Furniture in a four-room house for sale, close in. House can be rented. Make us an offer, or call at 806 6th street. 95 3tc

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WANTED—At once, male cook; short order work; apply at once or phone Standard Cafe, Petrolia, Texas. 93 3t c

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS

WANTED TO TRADE—Good jersey cow for heifer calves. Apply 709 7th street. Joe Pierce. 95 3tc

WANTED—To pack, crate and repair your furniture. We buy and sell everything. Wichita Furniture and Second Hand Co. Phone 628. 60 tfc

WANTED—Second-hand furniture and stoves; will pay cash or exchange new goods. Robertson Furniture Company. Phone 1314. 60 tf c

WANTED—Buyer for a model 2 Maxwell car. A sacrifice for quick sale Address Box 158 or phone 334. 84 tfc

WANTED—To do your carpenter work We build houses, barns, fences, repair houses. Work guaranteed. Price less than any one. Phone 405. 95 3tp

Furniture doctors can be had by calling 1200. We guarantee a cure. We buy, sell and exchange second hand goods. Furniture Hospital. Phone 1200 1003 Ohio. 95 tf

WANTED—To trade good piano for horse and buggy or team. Apply 709 7th street. 95 3tc

WANTED—By couple, three or four unfurnished rooms, modern conveniences References exchanged. Address "100" care Times. 95 3tp

FOR RENT—BEDROOMS

FOR RENT—Nicely furnished bed room. Phone 1094. 600 Scott. 75 tf c

FOR RENT—Front bed room nicely furnished. 707 Sixth St. 85 tfc

FOR RENT—Nice bed room to gentlemen. Apply 906 Eighth street. Call Mr. York at Avis Hardware Co. 91 tf c

FOR RENT—Bed room, close in; modern convenience. 1109 Austin. Phone 1975. 94 3tc

FOR SALE—CITY PROPERTY

FOR SALE—Eight-room house; cheap. Apply 1815 Tenth. 72 26t p

FOR BARGAINS in real estate see Creed Bros. Phone 1315 81 tfc

FOR SALE—My home in Floral Heights at a sacrifice. Will take $2,000 cash; balance in notes at 8 per cent; or will trade for close in rent property. See R. C. Hardy at Model Grocery store. 95 10tc

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AUSTRIA SUBSCRIBING TO IMMENSE WAR LOAN

Every Effort Is Being Made To Float Issue—Credit Badly Strained

By Associated Press

Venice, Dec 26.—Extraordinary efforts are being made to ensure the successful flotation of the new war loans in Austria-Hungary. All classes of people are urged to participate in them. In the first two days after the lists were opened nearly $150,000,000 was subscribed.

The Emperor took from his private purse $2,000,000, investing the sum equally in the Austrian and Hungarian loans. This is the first time that the monarch has ever contributed openly to such a state fund The clergy was directed to preach from the pulpits that it was not only the duty of every patriotic citizen to subscribe but also that the loans offered a most renumerative and secure investment. As proof of their confidence in the security, high ecclesiastical dignitaries have subscribed many millions. One archdiocese alone subscribed nearly a million dollars.

Public bodies also came forward readily The city of Vienna has invested five million dollars and all through Austria and Hungary the local authorities seem to have put up all their available fluid assets The banks too have taken many millions more, one Vienna bank alone investing four millions. But all this has only been brought about by bringing an enormous amount of pressure to bear in all directions

It is said that the government compelled the banks to use their influence to get money from large depositors. When any of these objected on the score of requiring the money to carry on business the bank told them they could always have an advance on the security of the war loan stock It is openly stated that the subscription of the city of Vienna will come chiefly from the depositors in the municipal savings banks

The postoffice savings bank, too has been doing its utmost to get at the deposits, offering special facilities for investments in the new loans of sums as low as a fraction under five dollars Many thousand business men have special checking accounts with the postoffice bank and each of them is required to deposit a hundred crowns—twenty dollars—as caution money. The bank has given notice that these moneys aggregating two million four hundred thousand dollars, will be taken for the war loan unless notice of objection is received from the depositing owner Objections are not expected.

SWEDEN TO HAVE EXHIBIT AT SAN FRANCISCO FAIR

Will Take Advantage of War To Try To Secure Some American Trade

By Associated Press

Stockholm, Sweden, Dec. 26—The Swedish contributions to the Panama-Pacific Exhibitions have grown considerably in size and importance since the beginning of the European war, largely because commercial firms in all parts of the country believe that that war offers them good opportunity to gain a distinct advantage over their European competitors for the American trade

Sweden's exhibits will reach America in December on the big Danish motor ship Rhodesia They represent every important branch of the country's commercial activity Some of the larger exhibits are illustrative of Sweden's manufacture of telephones, gas lighting apparatus and ball bearings.

FARMER KILLED HIMSELF WITH SHOTGUN

By Associated Press

Palestine, Texas, Dec 26—Joe Milte, a farmer, keeper of Spring Park, aged 45, killed himself with a shotgun today

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SHORTAGE OF OFFICERS IN SERVIAN ARMY REPORTED

Continual Strife of Recent Years Has Robbed Country of its Trained Men

By Associated Press

Nish, Servia, Dec 25—There is a shortage of officers in the Servian army, due not only to the severe losses sustained in the earlier battles of the campaign, but also to the losses of the two Balkan wars The gaps have proved a source of considerable embarrassment to the army chiefs, and a number of youthful cadets from the Military College have now been given commissions and sent to the front.

Another matter of serious concern in army circles is the difficulty of caring properly for the wounded, who are being sent into the interior towns as rapidly as possible Although there are a number of Red Cross units from foreign countries on the ground, there is still a shortage of trained help, and a still more serious shortage of drugs and of surgical and hygienic appliances

FORTUNE TELLERS BARRED BY GERMAN GOVERNMENT

Thriving Business Following Outbreak of War Is Stopped By Authorities

Special to The Times

Lubeck, Germany, Dec. 25—Fortune tellers now are forbidden to practice in any part of the German Empire. Soon after the war broke out, they began to do an enormous business with relatives of soldiers in the field, who wanted to know how things were going with them Visits to the fortune tells often had tragic consequences, as many of the callers were in a high state of nervous tension.

The uncertainty of relatives regarding their men folk at the front has been aggravated by the complete muddle of the field postal organization, which is being severely criticized by the newspapers

MANY THEATRES IN PARIS HAVE REOPENED RECENTLY

Many Gaps Are To Be Filled In Ranks of Performers and Musicians

By Associated Press

Paris Dec 26—Many theatres will soon be reopened, thanks to Minister of the Interior Malvy, who obtained from his colleagues permission to do as he saw fit with the amusement places The lower lights also will soon be burning on the boulevards

The Opera Comique will reopen with "The Daughter of the Regiment" as the first attraction and Mlle Chenal, draped in the French colors, will sing the Marseillaise between the acts The orchestra is ready and the cast complete excepting the leading tenor The place of Frantz serving as a military postman at Nogent, is not easy to fill

"Here I am and here I stay," says Jacques Rouche when anyone asks if it is true that he will give up the direction of the opera

The national opera house however is cold and dark and callers crowd in the porter's lodge, for the porter alone about the place has the funds to buy coal This is not due to the moratorium; it is simply a case of more money paid out than taken in and the gas company gives no credit while in the scarcity of coal all orders must be accompanied by cash

Nevertheless, artists and chorus people stamp about the icy stage rehearsing La Favorite" and "Semiramis" with the same zest as if the reopening was a certainty

At the Theatre Francais there is plenty of coal and the gas bill has been paid, but the place recalls the times when the scene shifters were on strike All except six of them are off to war By instructions of Lieutenant Colonel Carre, who keeps in sort of wireless touch with "La Maison de Moliere," stage hands of the Theatre de la Monnaie now in Brussels will be mobilized for the winter campaign

Fifteen per cent of the gross receipts of all places of amusement during the war must be paid over to the different relief funds. If Belleville is a criterion substantial aid for the suffering will be derived from this source The Casino there reopened within five hours after the word "go," and the house was crowded with workmen and their families eager to applaud the patriotic songs that constituted the program

MANY BULLETS REQUIRED TO KILL ONE OPPONENT

Believed 25 German Shells Are Used To Bring Down One Hostile Soldier

By Associated Press

London, Dec 25—One of the things frequently noted by soldiers at the front in writing to relatives and friends is the extraordinary expenditure of bullets required to kill a man A German report states that many German soldiers fired 4,000 cartridges apiece during the first month of the war An English observer estimated that 25 German shells are wasted for every man killed by them. In 1870 it was calculated that the Germans fired 150 bullets and six shrapnel bullets for every wounded Frenchman In the Russo-Japanese war it is said 3,000 bullets were fired for every life lost

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QUIET VERSAILLES NOW BUSTLING MILITARY TOWN

Has Become Headquarters For Army Military Depot and Aviation Center

By Associated Press

Versailles, France, Dec 25—War has transformed this ordinarily quiet historic city into a bustling military town. Headquarters of the Germans during the siege of Paris, it is today the quarters of some of the troops of the military government of the capital and it is also the depot for army stores and is an aviation center Near by is the St. Cyr Military Academy, which is similar to the American West Point

The tourist at Versailles now is a rarity Formerly he helped constitute the bulk of the floating population. He has been supplanted by the soldier's wife or sweetheart making a farewell visit The park of the palace alone remains open and this is their favorite promenade The museum and everything else of historical interest is closed up.

Squadrons of recruits are drilled daily in the public streets. The commands of their officers sometimes are unheard in the rattle of heavy munition wagons that pass so frequently Other soldiers may be seen leading or riding hundreds of horses just arrived and destined for the cavalry.

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